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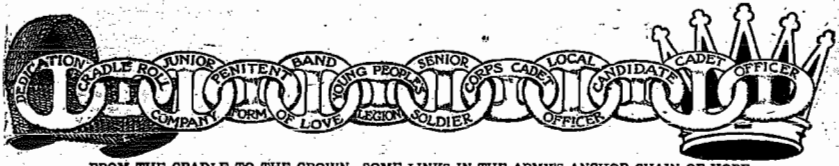

FROM THE CRADLE TO THE CROWN—SOME LINKS IN THE ARMY'S ANCHOR-CHAIN OF HOPE

SAVING AND TRAINING THE YOUNG PEOPLE

This is a task for the bravest and best. The pictures show some of the means employed by The Salvation Army: (1) Teaching Bible truths in the Sunday afternoon Company Meeting; (2) Encouraging the saved children to testify; (3) Giving them useful training as Junior Bandsmen; (4) Personal dealing with the little ones; (5) Explaining the Way of Salvation at the Penitent Form; (6) Getting Juniors to work for God by selling Army literature.

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THE PRAYING LEAGUE

Daily Prayer Topics

1. Pray for "our boys" with the troops in training and at the front.
2. Pray that the thoughtless and careless may give serious consideration to present conditions, and turn to the Lord in prayer.
3. Pray for a great spiritual turning to our Christ and Saviour by the people everywhere.
4. Pray for Chaplains, all spiritual leaders, doctors, nurses, Red Cross workers, and all who minister to the material, bodily, and spiritual needs of our soldiers.
5. Pray for The Army Bandsmen to be a real influence for God and good among our khaki men.
6. Pray for mothers, wives, and sisters, who have given their best-loved ones for King and Empire.
7. Pray for the bereaved and dying everywhere.
8. Pray for the progress of The Salvation Army in Canada and all the lands.
9. Pray that those who make the supreme sacrifice may be conscious of Divine Grace.
10. Pray for the Winter Campaign now in progress.

Bible Study on Posture in Prayer

Standing—
SUNDAY—Exodus 33:10; 1 Kings 14:55.
MONDAY—2 Kings 22:2; 2 Chronicles 6:3-19.

Bowing—
TUESDAY—Genesis 24:48-52; Exodus 34:8; 1 Chronicles 29:20.
WEDNESDAY—2 Chronicles 29:29-30.
THURSDAY—Nehemiah 8:6; Genesis 24:26.

Sitting—
FRIDAY—1 Chronicles 17:16.

Kneeling—
SATURDAY—Psalm 95:6; 1 Kings 8:54; 2 Chronicles 6:15.

HUMANITY'S WAR

By Mrs. Blanche Johnston

On a fateful night in the summer of 1914, four statesmen sat in the Chambers of the Chief Executive of the greatest Empire this world has seen. At No. 10 Downing Street, London, Mr. Asquith, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Lloyd George, and Sir Edward Grey waited. For what crisis were the four front-rank British leaders in conclave? An ultimation of tremendous portend had gone forth, and the answer delayed its arrival. The hours slowly passed; eight o'clock chimed from distant Big Ben, nine o'clock, ten o'clock, eleven o'clock. "It looks like war," remarked Mr. Churchill. Twelve o'clock clanged forth. "It is war," said Mr. Lloyd George. "It is humanity's war," echoed Mr. Asquith.

In the momentous days that have passed hourly has Mr. Asquith's pertinent statement been verified. The sons of the Empire have rallied in hundreds of thousands to the standard raised against military despotism—the call of desolated Belgium.

There is another warfare for humanity. The warfare against the hydra-headed monster, strong drink. Space prohibits a description of its ravages, or I would like to say that the depths of anguish it has caused have never been numbered; the lives it has blighted are beyond computation. It is a subject which touches the sacred springs of the home life. We are conquering this vice in our great Dominion. We who have almost all our years been engaged in the warfare against the Drink Traffic, stand in reverence before our God as we see the rapidity with which, in recent months, the fruition of the years of seed-sowing is coming to us.

Some Characteristics of An Ideal Young People's Sergeant Major

By STAFF-CAPTAIN PEACOCK

(Young People's Secretary, Canada West)

THE search of the ages has been for a perfect man. The ancient Greeks undoubtedly made considerable progress on the road to success in their search, but after all we are forced to confess that right down through the ages the human has failed in some respect—there is the only one, perfect man—Jesus.

It is with the thought constantly before me that scarcely ever, if indeed ever, is the "perfect" man found for the positions of trust and responsibility which men are called upon to fill in life. "The Man" would perhaps never be found if we waited for him, but how often we have seen it that the opportunity has made the man and his accomplishments have surprised the world.

Some one has said that "God has an emergency for every man, and a man for every emergency." But sticking to my subject, I have a conviction which becomes stronger as my experience develops that the position of Young People's Sergeant-Major in a Salvation Army Corps certainly calls for the most perfect man in the Corps.

It would be difficult, if not altogether impossible, to put on paper all the characteristics of this perfect man, whom we will now refer to as "an Ideal Young People's Sergeant-Major"; in fact, I can only hope—as the title of this article suggests—to touch on some of the things which we desire to see in our leaders amongst the Young People of The Army.

To those of us who have been honoured with this important commission in our Soldier days, nothing was quite so apparent to us as our shortcomings. In fact, they were the most prominent features of our make-up, and I offer the following suggestions only because of an intense desire to be of help to my comrades who are filling the position to-day.

It is a settled fact, of course, that first and foremost the Ideal Young People's Sergeant-Major must be a spiritual man—thoroughly consecrated to his work and propelled by holy ambition and desire to win those who come under his influence for Christ for time and for eternity. He must be God's above all things; that I believe is taken for granted.

He should have a thorough knowledge of every part of his work in the Young People's Corps just as the Bandmaster must have a knowledge of every instrument in his Band and its part or office, even if his knowledge is only superficial. He should be of a bright, cheerful disposition, but calm and dignified. Sympathy should be one of his strong characteristics; full of love but firm. He should be open-minded, large-hearted, alert, full of business; constantly seeking the hearty co-operation of his colleagues. He should be able to speak a word of praise when merited, or a word of caution when required.

The Ideal Young People's Sergeant-Major is never a cynic or a scolder, going about mourning and spreading gloom, nor moving amongst his people like a tempest, causing confusion everywhere.

His constant aim should be to magnify his office by every action; quietly and persistently seeing that things are brought to a successful conclusion—that the appointed work is done.

The buoyant faith and constant, untiring devotion of the Young People's Sergeant-Major should be a constant inspiration to his associates in their desire to improve their work. He should hold fast to old and tried methods which have proved successful, but always be ready to receive fresh aids and suggestions. He should realize the need of adaptability to changing conditions. Methods are means to an end, and, of course, must be varied according to the problem being dealt with, remembering also that in the changing of methods, principles must not be lost sight of.

"Methods are many, principles are few;
Methods may vary, but principles never do."

The Ideal Young People's Sergeant-Major need not necessarily be a person of exceptional talent in half a dozen different directions, but one who realizes to the fullest extent the importance of the work, and is willing to give himself to it.

He need not of necessity be one who can talk well—sometimes one can take up too much time in talking—let some one else do something.

A Sergeant-Major who cannot talk, but who can LIVE and DO things, is worth infinitely more than the one who can talk but who is weak and purposeless in his work generally.

The need to-day is not a great quantity of talking but a better quality of it. The Sergeant-Major's message should be strong, heartfelt, full of the life of the person at the back of it, though it be uttered with stammering tongue. He should never attempt to talk unless he has something to talk about. He is dealing with wide-awake and up-to-date youths and maidens, and they demand the best that can be given them.

He must study his people quite as carefully as he studies his lesson. Young People in this day require leadership as much as teaching and training, and the Young People's Sergeant-Major should not be satisfied with saying, "Do as I say," but "Do as I do."

One of the first demands the Sergeant-Major should make of his Young People's Corps is that there should be order in his meetings. He should begin no exercise until order is obtained. Some great general has said, "A capable officer never commands without attention." Good work cannot be accomplished in a disorderly meeting, amongst children at any rate. The admonition of Holy Writ is to "do everything decently and in order."

The Ideal Young People's Sergeant-Major will get others to work, and unyieldingly but kindly see that they do it. One cannot do all the work. Plan carefully and delegate to others as much as possible and the difficult problems will be more easily handled as they come, and incidentally a staff of capable Workers will be developed.

N.B.—Our sister comrades, many of whom are filling this position with credit to themselves and to The Army, can read this article and simply substitute "she" for "he."

HOME LEAGUE NOTES

Mrs. Commissioner Richards has been informed by several of the Divisional Home League Secretaries that the new members of the Home Leagues in various parts of the Territory have been busily engaged in making useful garments for convalescing soldiers during late weeks. These acceptable articles will shortly be gathered at the Territorial centre and distributed to our brave boys from the front.

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The Home League buttons are exhausted—actually the first shipment all gone! Never mind, Home Leaguer, if you were a little slow securing one; another lot has been ordered—"Made in Canada," I believe, to save time. The need is so urgent. They are expected to be ready by the time these notes are in print. Your Local Secretary will soon be able to supply you.

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By the way, I see that Mrs. Colonel McMillan is wearing a button. We looked at it, for we were "delighted." A real smile of pleasure, of course, flooded our face when we recognized the badge of honour—a facsimile of that which adorned our own coat. "Oh, yes," said the wife of the Chief Secretary, instantly recognizing the cause of our pleased expression; "you see, I am very fond of the Home League, and I like to wear its emblem." And so say we all!

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We understand Mrs. Commissioner Richards wrote a personal letter last week to all the Divisional Home League Secretaries, asking for the names of the Local Secretaries under their command. All have responded, and state that the Divisional representatives of the League are alive. Shortly we shall publish names of Leagues with their Secretaries in each Division. We shall thus see who is on the top. Keep your eyes open.

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These readings! They are just splendid. So practical and so helpful. The first one to be read at the Home League gatherings will reach the Local Secretaries direct from Mrs. Commissioner Richards, accompanied by a letter. Papers are to follow, we understand, at stated periods.

The Field Secretary looked a bit worried as we burst in unannounced—as a matter of fact, his morning mail was piled up; an overworked stenographer was at his elbow. He looked (cannot say for sure, of course) as though he was wrestling with a problem. The phone rang. Oh, that 'phone! The spell was broken. We (the intruder) kept silent and waited. "Hello!" said the Field Secretary. "Yes, all right, Mrs.——, I'll come. What night do you say? March —. Yes, anything to help the Home League."

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The Field Secretary sat down again, and, addressing his stenographer, said, "Now, what is that I was saying?—just read the last line. Ah, yes——" Phone rings again—persistently. "Wanted at the 'phone," Mrs. —— (another Home League Secretary) was speaking: "Say, is that you Brigadier? Well, Mrs. —— was telling me . . . and will you give that lecture at our Corps as we need some money to help us get some material to make up . . ." "Yes," came the ready reply.

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[We are waiting to hear from each Divisional Home League Secretary in every Division for spicy bits of news for this column.—Ed.]

HOW TO MAKE YOUNG SOLDIERS

Is it right and desirable that children should be allowed to take any personal and active part in the warfare God is carrying on against sin and the devil?

THIS IS A QUESTION ASKED AND ANSWERED BY THE LATE GENERAL WM. BOOTH IN HIS ADMIRABLE WORK "THE TRAINING OF CHILDREN"—BELOW WILL BE FOUND SOME EXTRACTS FROM THIS WHICH SHOULD BE READ BY ALL PARENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORKERS

ALL CHILDREN ought to be trained in that way which seems the most likely to qualify them for taking their share in the Salvation fight with the greatest success. How otherwise can they have the religion of Jesus Christ at all? This religion does not consist in holding certain opinions, going through a certain ceremonial of Bible-reading, hymn-singing, sermon-hearing, and the like; but in having the Spirit of Jesus Christ, which is not only the Spirit of Holiness, but of God-like benevolence and Divine love.

And if children have this spirit, they will pity other children who have it not, who are living in sin, and growing up to be wicked men and women on the way to hell, and they will want to save them, and they will not be happy unless they can put forth some effort to do so.

This is all perfectly natural; and if children have this pitying love, and this earnest desire to benefit and bless and save people, what can be more rational than that they should be trained up from earliest childhood in those habits and methods of warfare which seem most likely to be successful? Nay, that they should be taught how, as little children, they can best serve the interests of Jesus Christ, and do the greatest amount of good?

Is it not a commonly received truth with regard to all life that, unless there be the exercise of it, it is certain to shrivel up and perish? And is not this equally true of spiritual life? We see every day an exemplification of it in professedly Christian men and women around us, and there can be no question but that it is equally true of the spiritual life of children.

If, then, you do not find them scope for the development of the life they have, and give them the opportunity for using their spiritual gifts, they will lose them, and either give up all profession of religion, or be content with nothing more than the form of it.

But can children be made into Soldiers, and be taught and trained to do fighting of any value to the Kingdom of God?

Yes; and that a great deal easier than most grown-up people, just because they are so much more simple. We all know how readily children are led and influenced; how careless and indifferent they are to what is called public opinion; how easily they can be moulded into whatever shape you wish, or led to the discharge of whatever duty you may choose. And when they have the Spirit of God, and are wrought and fashioned in it, they will easily be made just the sort of Soldiers God delights in.

But what can the little ones do?

They can do for the little world in which they move as much as adults can for their big world. They can live holy lives. They can testify to the Power of God to save. They can sing the songs of Salvation so sweetly, that often proud, hard-hearted, grown-up people will be compelled to listen, and made to feel, and weep. They can pray—not, perhaps, with much oratorical glitter, or the ability to convey any great amount of information to the Almighty; but none the less they can intercede for souls, and pray the fervent, effectual prayer which avails as much in a little child as in a man, when that prayer is wrought by the Holy Spirit. I know that God has done some hard fighting for God. I have heard her tell how she used to feel the burden of souls frequently, before she was twelve years old, so powerfully that she could have knelt in the street to pray for them. And doubtless she would have done so had there been a Salvation Army to make the opportunity for her.

Children can also warn other children—yes, and adults as well; not in a very loud and terrifying manner, it may be, but none the less likely to be listened to for all that. And they can exhort others to do the same. Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings the great Master has been, and shall be, clever enough to ordain results that shall show forth His praise.

Then you think real and abiding good comes from the Salvation work of little children?

Most certainly we do. When this world's history is brought to a close, and the records of soul-saving toil are made up, little as the children have been recognized and instructed on this subject, it will be found that a vast multitude have by them been led to the Saviour. What myriads there are already in Heaven—fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, infidels, profligates, drunkards; in short, sinners of all classes and ages, and degrees of depravity—who after resisting the forcible appeals of the most eloquent preachers and all the combined efforts of the most powerful organizations, have fallen at the Mercy Seat through the apparently feeble and simple words of little children! And, thank God! there is a multitude on earth, as well as in Heaven, whom the children have led to the Fountain.

We have none of us any idea what a mighty force can be created out of these despised and neglected little ones.

But is there not another very important consideration which should induce us to train children as Young Soldiers?

Yes, perhaps a more important one still; namely, that in so doing, we are preparing a mighty force for the Salvation War of the future. We see what a power the children might be made now in their own homes, among their companions, in their school grounds and neighbourhoods. We see what powerful missionaries to proud, or profligate, or drunken parents, the children might become.

But think, further, of the possibility of raising a multitude of men and women whose bodies have never been poisoned by vicious indulgences, whose minds have been enlightened and filled with the principles of Divine Truth from their infancy, and whose hearts, from their earliest days, have been inspired with the love of Christ and possessed with the one supreme ambition to glorify the Father, dethrone the devil, destroy sin, and save the world! And who in all their calculations for the future, reckon upon making any sacrifices, carrying any crosses, or enduring any sufferings necessary to crown the undertaking with victory!

We can see in such a force a dim foreshadowing of the time when all shall know Him, from the least unto the greatest. And to create such a force must be worthy of any amount of sacrifice and toil and care on our part. Let us make haste to be the means of converting, teaching, watching over, drilling and using the children, and it may yet be said not only of individuals, but of the nations, "a little child shall lead them."

How must Salvationists go about the work of giving their children the home training necessary to make them Young Soldiers?

You must make the children understand that God expects them to do their share of the fighting, and encourage them to do it. Begin with them early. Beget within them the conviction that soul-saving is going to be their life-work, and get them fired with the ambition to go to their post and die there before they are brought into contact with cold, freezing, unbelieving, half-hearted professors. Always remember that this class will snub your Young Soldiers, and sneer at their work in every direction. They won't want the little Davids even to come and see the war, much less to have an opportunity to try the effect of their slings and stones on the Goliaths who strut about defying their great armies in every direction. For the Scribes and Pharisees, who pour contempt on the idea of children having any experimental knowledge of Salvation, will be shocked and horrified beyond measure at their making any effort to save anybody else.

So unless you are prepared to stand by and cheer them on, it is ten to one but their kindling zeal will be extinguished on its first bursting out by some awfully learned divine or some morotely heartless authority in religious things. You must, therefore, push them on, and supply them with justification for what they do. You will find plenty of arguments in favour of their having a hand in the fight from the Bible, from the experiences of The Salvation Army, in the call of the Holy Ghost which they hear sounding in their own hearts, and in the pitying love they feel for the perishing souls around them.

And then you should make the children understand that when they find their friends, whether young or old, in the pit of sin, or exposed to the fire of hell, it is perfectly right and lawful in the sight of the holy angels and in the sight of God, for them, though they may be very young, to tell these sinful men and women, who may be very old, of a Saviour who is willing and mighty to save.

If you want to make your children Young Soldiers, not only dedicate them in infancy, but as soon as they have come to years of understanding—as soon as you have reason to believe that they are converted—encourage and show them how to dedicate themselves to a life-long war with sin and the devil.

Take your children to the Junior meetings and if they are converted encourage them to speak and pray, and join in the marches, and so let them grow up in a bold and outspoken confession of Christ.

Why not? Who is afraid to follow the command of the Master that what has been heard in the closet is to be spoken on the house-top? Who is to say that this command is not as applicable to little children as to the older disciples? Of course all along I suppose that you believe in the sincerity of your children in the profession of Christianity they make. If not, for God's sake, for theirs, and for your own, keep them from any public exercise, profession, or confession of the same. But if you are satisfied of their sincerity, do everything which seems likely to commit them still further to the stand they make for the Master.

Are not many good Christian people very much opposed to children taking any public part in efforts for the Salvation of souls?

Yes, they are; but this does not prove the practice to be wrong, seeing that a great many very good Christian people make the strongest objections to uneducated men or women saying or doing anything in public to save sinners from going to hell. In fact, many professors of religion object to anybody taking an active part in public services except the ordained ministers of a particular Church. Therefore, the objection of such people to children taking any part in the War of itself proves nothing.

Will you name some of the objections these persons bring against children speaking and praying publicly?

It is said that children do not understand spiritual things well enough to talk about them. But spiritual things are not matters of the understanding so much as of the heart and conscience, and saved children understand and know them far better than unsaved ministers or divines, or writers, or anybody else who has not the Spirit of God, no matter how learned they may be.

Was it not precisely this over which the Saviour rejoiced when he said, "I thank Thee, O Father, that Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes?" And did He not once set a little child in the midst of His disciples, and say: "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven?" And was He not found in the temple about His Father's business at twelve years old?

THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

TELLING BIBLE STORIES

There Is a Right Way to Do it and a Wrong Way.

To tell a child a Bible story may do it no good at all unless it is told in the right way. We should study the needs of the particular child to whom we tell the story and aim at imparting some definite truth.

First, let us take an example of a boy who had actually got an untrue view of God through being told Bible stories in the wrong way. This is the impression he got of the call of Samuel:—

"Once there was a boy and he slept in the church and he was just a little boy. God spoke to him one night and he was scared and didn't answer. Then God spoke again, and the little boy was scared and didn't answer. Then God spoke again and the boy answered, and God said, 'It's a good thing you answered Me this time, or I would have done something awful to you and this whole house.'"

He went on to say that he knew two other Bible stories, one about when God was mad at Moses and made him go up a mountain and die, and another about when God was mad at the Egyptians and drowned 'em 'cause they tried to walk in a path He had made through the sea.

The only idea he had of God was that of a vindictive Being, who punished people; he knew nothing of a loving, Heavenly Father.

Another little fellow we heard of was terribly frightened by hearing the story of the beheading of John the Baptist, as told by a teacher who dwelt only on the harrowing side of it. For three nights he woke in his sleep, sobbing, "Mamma, I don't want to die!"

If the teacher had shown the boy that John was a great hero who gave his life for the Master, it would have helped him instead of frightening him.

There was yet another boy we heard of, whose chief idea of David seemed to be that he was a lion and bear fighter. He had got no glimmering of spiritual truth from the beautiful story of the shepherd king.

Now for one example of the opposite kind. A little girl was walking through the fields and stooped to pick a beautiful poppy. She held it at arm's length, while the sun made it look like silk. "This is Jesus' little poppy. He sent the bright spring sun to make the flowers grow. I love Him, don't you?"

Those were the happy, loving thoughts of Jesus which the bright spring day brought to this child who had been given the truths and the stories suited to her needs by a wise teacher.

THE THREE R's

A Simple Eye Illustration

Fold a card or paper into three; make one panel black, another red, another white. Announce as "The Three R's," and speak about Ruin (black), Remedy (red), Result (white).

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will not depart from it (Prov. 22:6).

Successful Primary Worker

MRS. BRIGADIER ATTWELL TAKES POST OF PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR FOR CITY OF TORONTO

SOME four years ago, Mrs. Brigadier Attwell, in order to fill a gap, was asked to take the Primary Class at the Lippincott Junior Corps (Toronto). She gladly consented, as teaching the tiny tots is a pleasure to her and she has a special aptitude for the work. Since then the Primary Class at Lippincott has become famous, and has figured in big Demonstrations at the Massey Hall.

Mrs. Brigadier Attwell

Mrs. Attwell has many methods of teaching the children and holding their attention. A Sand Tray is a never-failing source of interest. Wonderful are the scenes that can be illustrated by this means. With a few sprigs of evergreen as trees, a blue ribbon for a river, some burnt matches for soldiers, bits of paper for tents, building blocks for houses, walls, gateways, temples, etc., and a Noah's ark full of wooden animals—a most effective lesson can be taught to the little ones on almost any Bible subject.

Considerable ingenuity and care has to be exercised, however, in altering the various figures to represent different objects. Otherwise the teacher may be nonplussed by an incident something like the following. A small doll, which had been used for Peter, was afterwards shown for Moses, whereupon a little chap exclaimed: "I know who that is; it's Peter!"

Another very good aid to teaching which Mrs. Attwell uses, is Plasticine. This is more suitable for the bigger boys and girls, however, and they delight to make little models of houses, men, and animals all by themselves and stick them in the sand. Large, coloured pictures and blackboard illustrations are also used with good effect.

Another fine feature about the Primary Work at Lippincott is that the children have a separate room, which is provided with specially-made little seats. At first the whole class was together, but now it is divided into two—Sergeant Mrs. Cornthwaite taking the infants and Mrs. Attwell the beginners.

In order that all the Primary Workers in the city Corps may have the benefit of Mrs. Attwell's experience and ideas, she has now been appointed Primary Instructor for Toronto. Once a week the workers will meet at Scout Headquarters, when Mrs. Attwell will go over the coming week's lesson with them and make suitable suggestions as to teaching it. This should make for greater efficiency in this important branch of work.

A Junior Enrolment Service

WHICH MIGHT BE CONDUCTED WITH MUCH PROFIT AT THE COMING ANNUAL

Here is a novel way of enrolling juniors which would be very effective. First secure seven boxes of different sizes. The lowest box is marked "Jesus," showing the foundation upon which a Junior Soldier's life must be built. Upon this are placed in turn smaller and smaller boxes, each marked with one of the letters, R, O, I, N, U, J.

As these boxes are put in position the leader should explain that a Junior Soldier must be—

R—Right: That is, washed in the Saviour's Blood and trying to please Him.

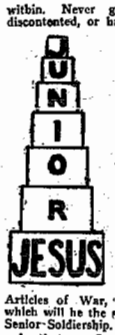
O—Obedient: Always doing quickly what parents, leaders, teachers and the Saviour wish.

I—Industrious: Always busy at something good or useful; never idle.

N—Neat: Clean, tidy, and if possible wearing some little badge or bit of ribbon to show that he or she belongs to God and The Army.

U—Unselfish: Thinking about and trying to help others, instead of living only for self.

J—Joyful: Because Jesus lives within. Never grumbling, sulky, discontented, or bad-tempered.



When the last box is put in position, the children will be surprised to see that the letters spell "Junior." Each child to be enrolled could be asked to sign a Pledge Card, on which is briefly outlined what is required of them as Junior Soldiers. Impress upon the children that the promises made upon this card are to lead on, in due time, to the Articles of War, the signing of which will be the stepping-stone to Senior Soldiership.

As the new Junior Soldiers are accepted as such under the Flag, present each with the signed card as a memento of the occasion.

BEGINNING AT HOME

A Little Story for the Parents

There were Junior meetings at the Corps, and the leader was specially appealing for child volunteers.

In the body of the Hall sat a little lad of about ten, who seemed anxious to give in, and yet afraid to venture to the Penitent Form.

The Special stepped down the Hall, and spoke to the boy, who said he would like to serve Jesus, but did not want to go out to the front.

"Is your mother saved?"

"Yes, sir. She's a Soldier here."

"And your father?"

"He's a Soldier, too."

"Would you go out there if your mother went with you?"

"Yes, sir," said the boy quickly.

The mother was seated on a form or two further back, and the Special went to speak to her.

"Will you go with your boy to the Penitent Form, and help him to find Jesus?"

"I don't think he understands," she said.

"Certainly he does," answered the Special.

"Well, I don't believe in forcing children."

The Special saw something was wrong with the mother's own heart.

"How long have you been saved?"

"Oh, quite a few years," she said.

"And have you won your first soul?"

The hot blood mounted to her cheeks, as she answered, "No."

"Then do not you think that you had better start now; and how can you begin better than by leading your own boy to Christ?"

In a moment the mother rose, and whispered a word to the little lad, who followed her to the Penitent Form.

There was a little girl, a younger sister, in the meeting, who, seeing her mother and brother kneeling at the front, came herself, anxious that she, too, might be one of "the lambs of His flock."

The Special who told the story finished by saying, "And I verily believe the mother herself got saved over again as she knelt there."

Mother, Father! If you serve the Saviour yourself, what have you done to help your children to decide for Christ?

THREE IMPORTANT P's

We shall become slovenly, slipshod, and unsuccessful in our work among the young, unless we cultivate the habit of thoroughness, and this includes:—

1. **Preparation**, or an organized plan of action requiring an outlay of time, thought, and labour proportionate to the importance and difficulty of the task we have undertaken.

2. **Perseverance**, or a combination of patience, plod, pains, push, and passion.

3. **Pentecost**, or the power of personal piety, the only power which really enable us to impress others. This is the most vital of all—like the fire to the steam engine.

The goodness and love of God should be explained to children very early in life.

THERE IS NO MORE IMPORTANT WORK IN THE HEAVENS ABOVE OR ON THE EARTH BENEATH, THAN THAT WHICH DIRECTLY CONCERNS THE MORAL AND SPIRITUAL WELFARE OF THE LITTLE ONES, WITH WHICH THEIR HEALTH AND

SOME PRACTICAL HINTS

On How to Work a Young People's Legion.

The Young People's Legion is designed to form a connecting link between the Senior War and the work amongst the Young People. Its object is not merely to attract the Young People, but to secure their conversion and make them into Salvationists. Membership is limited to persons between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one years.

The first thing to do in starting the Legion is to make out a list of classes and meetings that it is possible to run. Then set to work to find suitable helpers.

Do not attempt too much at once—about three classes is plenty at most Corps. Be ready with something fresh as soon as you see the interest in a particular class is flagging. Young People like plenty of change.

A few suggestions for Classes may help:—

First-aid or Home Nursing—If a friendly nurse or ambulance worker is available.

Drilling (dumb-bells, clubs, and so on)—First, thoroughly master exercises you intend to teach; then you will have confidence in yourself and the Young People will have confidence in you. Drill in front of and with them.

Fretwork—Appoint some one who understands it to keep a sharp eye on the lads, or you will find this very expensive.

Singing Brigade—This usually takes exceptionally well.

Practicing for Demonstrations—Dialogues, Song Services, and so on.

Cookery, Fancy Work, or Writing.

There are many other Classes that might be run; but we have mentioned only those which are possible in every Corps.

Make the Spiritual Portion (which should occupy from twenty minutes to half an hour after the classes), as interesting, helpful, and varied as possible. For instance:—

Sometimes get the Officer to give a Bible talk.

Sometimes appoint members to give a five minutes' paper on any of the Sword and Shield portions for the week.

Or let members tell any stories they have read, such as the short stories in "The Young Soldier," and finish by reading a few verses from the Bible.

A Monthly Meeting should be held for the introduction of new members and companions. At this a sociable cup of tea could be provided, and subscriptions should be got in.

Occasionally for this meeting you could have games; at other times a lecture on hygiene, or a talk on Salvation heroes.

A public meeting should also be arranged occasionally. By these means the Young People's Legion will be made a great help to any Corps.

MUCH CONVICTION FELT

At St. Mary's, Feb. 3rd-4th, we had with us Brigadier Rawling, our Divisional Commander, and, in spite of the weather being very cold and stormy, we had good meetings, in which the Spirit of God was felt.

The Brigadier's subject on the Sunday night was "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve." Much conviction was felt in the meeting. We are going in for victory under our leaders.—Interested.

A LIVE BAND OF LOVE

[The Band of Love is composed of children, saved and unsaved, who are united together to observe the following pledge: "I promise, by the help of God, not to drink any intoxicating liquor. I will not smoke tobacco nor swear, nor steal, nor gamble. I will try to love all, and be kind to animals, and I will strive to speak the truth, and offer a prayer to God morning and evening every day." The following article describes how this branch of the Young People's Work has been successfully revived at a Toronto Corps.]

UNTIL about four months ago the Band of Love at Rhodes Avenue (Toronto) Corps was like some professing Christians—it had a name that is lived, but was in reality dead. That is to say, a sort of stagnation had set in and there was nothing doing that really interested the children.

Now, Captain and Mrs. Bosher, being ardent lovers of the Juniors, could not tolerate this state of things at all, and so decided to have a revival in this particular branch of the Young People's Work. On October 13th, 1916, they called a meeting to which past members of the Band of Love were invited and also any who desired to become new members. The total attendance on that historic occasion was twenty-nine.

Captain and Mrs. Bosher

At the most recent meeting one hundred and six were present out of one hundred and seventeen who have signed the Band of Love pledge. Eight classes are now working every Wednesday evening, including two stages of fretwork, making rug mats, knitting socks and scarfs, dressing dolls, and making the dresses; crochet work, and filling scrap books by the little tots.

This large number of children has been gathered together by various means. The children themselves have brought a good many on treat nights, and the newcomers, seeing such a hive of industry, have needed no second invitation. Then the Officers have, by visitation, secured a large percentage. At one house visited by the Captain and his wife, they secured five children, after explaining to the parents what the Band of Love meant to the boys and girls. Another home, through visitation, has contributed three members.

After the children have been enrolled as members, they are by no means drones. The Captain, in his fretwork classes, has sixteen saws going every night. The boys are first put through a test as to their ability to handle a saw, by cutting out letters, and as their skill increases they are able to make neat and serviceable articles, such as brackets and picture frames, which sell for twenty and thirty cents each. So interested are some in this hobby that a little boy, while Captain and Mrs. Bosher were being interviewed, knocked at the Quarters' door and asked the Captain to sell him a saw, as his was broken, and he had a few minutes to spare. In that time he desired to finish a piece of work for his father, who is serving King and country.

The rug mats are made of sacks and cloth cut into narrow strips. The Senior Soldiers donate to the Band of Love their old clothes, and when these mats are complete, they sell for $1.75 and $2. As fast as the members can make them there are purchasers waiting, so it will be seen that this Band of Love is no added financial burden on the Corps funds.

The doll dress-making class is one of interest. Some of the young sewers are apt to make thick stitches, yet, with the assistance of a skilful teacher, and by patience and practice, they turn out some beautiful work. A good number of socks and scarfs have been knitted, and do credit to the workers. The little tots are given pictures to crayon, after which they are pasted in a scrap book.

Many striking testimonies were related as to the appreciation of the parents, and we quote one or two.

One mother, who had not been able to get her daughter to do anything prior to joining the Band of Love, now rejoices to see how industrious she is in making socks, and her constant cry is, "Give me more wool!"

Another mother was delighted to see the interest her boys took in their fretwork, but above all she was thankful that since they had joined the Band of Love they stayed at home more and did less of "running the streets."

Band of Love Leader Sister Oliver

One little girl who had been asked to give out a song and pray at the next meeting, asked her mother to teach her a prayer. This question aroused past memories in the mother's mind as to her own Salvation, conviction took hold of her, and the following Sunday she knelt at the Mercy Seat, and is now an energetic worker for God. Truly "A little child shall lead them."

Much proof could be given as to what a boon the Band of Love has been to both parents and children.

The spiritual side is not forgotten, and quite recently Captain Bosher enrolled nineteen Junior Soldiers, a number of them springing from the Band of Love. After the enrolment, a Salvation Army Brooch was pinned on the girls and Salvation Army ribbon on the boys. Mrs. Bosher, by some means or another, had overlooked one little fellow. He soon let her know by saying, "You have forgotten my tag, Captain!"

Not only does the Band of Love bring the children together for an evening, but Mrs. Bosher informs us that at East Toronto (where she and her husband were last stationed) a sale was held of the work done by the Band of Love members and forty dollars was realized. This assisted in paying for supplies, prizes, and general Young People's expenses.

The Band of Love Leader, Sister R. Oliver, and her assistants, are energetic and heart and soul in with the work of helping the children. Brother Plumridge (who has donned the khaki) seldom misses the Band of Love meetings, and assists Captain Bosher in the fretwork classes, along with Brother Wilson.

This branch of Young People's Work has become so popular at Rhodes Avenue, that open-air work on Wednesday night has been cancelled, and the Officers, with their assistants, spend from a quarter to seven until a quarter to eight with the children, and then, with clock-like regularity, clear away in time for the Cadets' public meeting.

It has meant sacrifice and the outlay of a little money to start this activity, but it has proved well worth while, and who can estimate the value to the world, if each member keeps the pledge which they have signed, and which is so good to observe in life.

If every Corps in Canada East secured as many Young People to sign this pledge as have Captain and Mrs. Bosher, with their helpers, there would be 31,707 Band of Love members.

LECTURE AND MUSICALE

Secure Good Financial Results

On Jan. 20th at Kitchener we had with us Captain and Mrs. Blaney from Galt, with a number of their Soldiers and Bandsmen, who rendered a very nice programme of recitations, duets, etc. Captain Blaney lectured on "Six Months in a Salvation Army Battery," which was very interesting. We also had on the platform an old friend of the Captain's, Rev. Mr. Sanderson, of the Methodist Church, who spoke very encouragingly, and we appreciate his words. A good crowd attended and we realized thirty-one dollars. To God be the Glory!

THREE FORWARD

On Sunday, Feb. 4th, we had the joy of seeing three backsliders returning to the fold at Welland. Our attendance at the meetings is very good. We have started the Directory Class on Sunday mornings. The Life-Saving Guards are working to pass their Second-class test. Our Officers, Captain Cosway and Lieutenant Moore, with the aid of the comrades, are in for victory.

USEFULNESS IN THIS WORLD, NO LESS THAN THEIR JOYS OR THEIR SORROWS IN THE WORLD TO COME, ARE SO INTIMATELY ASSOCIATED,—IF YOU WANT TO KEEP THE PEOPLE FROM THE SLAVERY OF THE DRINK, FROM THE

PROMOTED TO GLORY

Mrs. Sergt.-Major Mills, Halifax II.

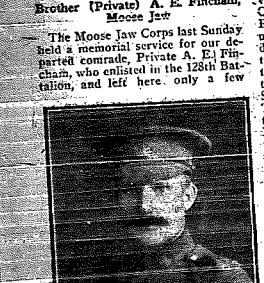
Mrs. Jennie Mills, wife of Sergeant-Major Mills of Halifax II. Corps, died on Saturday night, Feb. 10th, aged forty-four years. Mrs. Mills gave birth to a baby girl ten days ago and through complications which set in then, was unable to rally. She was known previous to marriage as Lieutenant Jennie Shorten. She has proved herself to have been a faithful helpmeet to her husband, and a woman of God. Now in his hour of sorrow he is left with four sons and three daughters to mourn their irreparable loss.

Comrades and friends are asked to pray for the Sergeant-Major. Mrs. Mills left a definite testimony to the fact that all was well with her soul.

—Major Crichton.

Brother (Private) A. E. Fincham, Moose Jaw

The Moose Jaw Corps last Sunday held a memorial service for our departed comrade, Private A. E. Fincham, who enlisted in the 128th Battalion, and left here only a few



Private Fincham

months ago for the front. He was killed in action on Jan. 3rd, and is the first of the comrades who have enlisted from this Corps to pay the supreme sacrifice for his King and country. He was a convert of this Corps, and the Lord gave him victory over sin and the confidence and affection of his comrades.

By special request, Staff-Captain Goodwin, who was the Corps Officer here when he left for the front, and is now Divisional Secretary, came down, with Mrs. Major Coombs, to conduct the memorial service, which was remarkable for tender, pathetic appeal to the unconverted. Sisters Mrs. Goodwin and Mitchell (both wives of Soldiers who went with Brother Fincham) spoke feelingly of the Christian character of the deceased, and the latter read letters from her husband telling of the out-and-out life he lived and testimony he gave among his comrades at the battle-front. Brother Cruikshanks, of the 229th Battalion, spoke of the farewell tea, and his clear testimony. Mrs. Major Coombs forcefully exhorted all to prepare. The address of the Staff-Captain compelled rapt attention, and much deep conviction followed her words, "For me to live is Christ and death is gain." One soul knelt at the Mercy Seat.—C. T.

SHALL WE GIVE UP SUNDAY AFTERNOON TO YOUNG PEOPLE?

TWO OFFICERS WHO HAVE MADE THE EXPERIMENT TELL OF THE BENEFITS TO BE GAINED THEREBY

THE above is one of the live topics of the hour at a number of Corps. Though it may not be practicable at every place to abolish the Free-and-Easy, and substitute a Senior Bible Class, yet the plan is working well in those Corps where it has had a fair trial.

We recommend the perusal of the following letters to those Officers who are doubtful as to the results of changing a time-honoured Army custom. Ensign Heberden, of St. Catharines, says:—

"After almost a year's trial, I have become firmly convinced that immense advantages are to be gained by giving up the whole of Sunday afternoon to the Young People's Work, instead of trying to run both Company Meetings and the usual Free-and-Easy, which most Corps used to do. Like almost all new departures, the future was uncertain, and I almost feared to make the change. Where was our finance to come from? Would the Senior Soldiers come to the Bible Classes? These were some of the questions that worried me. But once started, I would never willingly go back to the old system. Let me enumerate some of the advantages gained by giving the whole afternoon to the Young People's Work:—

"1. Our Company Meeting, under the old system, began at two o'clock and closed at three, on account of the Free-and-Easy. Many children could not get there at two, because Sunday dinner was late; consequently they went to some church, where the classes did not meet till about three o'clock. Now we meet at 2.45 and every one can get there by that time. Children are more punctual, our numbers are increasing, and our teachers (specially servant girls) find it much easier to be present on time.

"2. We do not have to hurry through the Holiness meeting, rush to dinner, and get back tired, and unfit for giving our best it ought to our Companies. As well as the Free-and-Easy, we gave up the open-air service, so that no one should have any excuse for staying away or being late. We can get all the teachers we want now; while before we could hardly ever man our Companies.

"3. Finance.—This problem caused me some serious thought. But a little friendly competition solved the difficulty. We got Banners going for classes competing with each other, and while the Senior Corps may have suffered a trifle financially the Junior Corps raised to such an extent that now it is able to pay the Senior Corps an equivalent to its ordinary Free-and-Easy offering.

"4. We get the Bandsmen and Senior Soldiers to the Bible Classes. I am frequently asked if we cannot have longer in our classes. Mrs. Heberden has a Women's Bible Class of about thirty members, while the Young People's Sergeant-Major has a class of the Bandsmen and Soldiers.

"5. The Officers are able to give all their time and assistance to the Young People. We don't have to hurry, the afternoon is ours. I always find plenty to do, either in taking a class or assisting the Young People's Sergeant-Major. We have time for a prayer meeting at the close if the children have been brought up to a point of decision.

"6. Lastly, it makes the Company Meeting a family affair. Parents come with their children, and no boy or girl will or can say, "I am too old for the Juniors," because daddy or mother go themselves.

"I heartily say, God speed the day when every Field Officer will have courage and foresight enough to close up his Hall on Sunday afternoon so far as the Free-and-Easy is concerned and give his whole equipment, Senior and Junior, to the important work of saving the children. Don't make the fatal mistake, when some Special comes for the week-end, of going back to the old system for the occasion, but take them to the Young People. The younger folks appreciate it."

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Captain Taylor, of Ingersoll, also writes enthusiastically in favour of the plan. He says: "The advantages gained are many.

"1. Our Corps gives undeniable evidence that this is the way to increase our Young People's attendance. The attendance of the Ingersoll Corps has more than doubled, and is still soaring in spite of the cold weather, which makes it impossible for many of the little tots to attend.

"2. It makes every Senior Soldier of the Corps feel that the work among the children is the important work of The Salvation Army. Neglect this, and we will soon be out of existence. It makes parents feel that their children are a valuable asset to The Salvation Army.

"3. It affords us a grand opportunity for teaching the Bible to our Senior Soldiers. This is certain to deepen spiritual hunger and increase the faith of our Soldiers; improve their public speaking, and thereby increase their usefulness in the soul-saving war.

"4. It will surely make our Young People feel that the Company Meeting is important; they will desire to come and never get too big to come, because father and mother come.

"5. We are never short of some one to teach a class. We have the Senior Bible Class to draw from. In the beginning our Bible Class was as low as four. The attendance has now increased to twenty-five, and will still grow, because the people are getting blessed. We end up every Sunday with a red-hot prayer meeting for Sunday night.

"6. As far as finance is concerned, we can say to the glory of God we never have to spend one minute in a month asking for money. Our Corps is clear of debt and every department of the Corps has a good balance on hand. I am convinced that this is the best possible step for the future good and upbuilding of The Salvation Army."

BOYS IN KHAKI

Appreciate the Work of Our Chaplains—A Tribute to One of Them from a Hamilton Battalion.

A good deal of mention has been made in the press lately concerning the good work done by the Canadian Chaplains overseas. Recently Lieut.-Colonel Chandler received a letter from a Bandsman of the 120th City of Hamilton Band, written on behalf of his comrades, and expressing their heartfelt thanks and appreciation of the services rendered by Captain-Chaplain Carrol. The following is an extract:—

"The Captain has been a great comfort to us in every way possible. We have been unfortunate in the way of being quarantined. We looked forward to a doleful time with saddened hearts. When, at the critical moment, Captain Carroll entered our hut like a burst of glorious sunshine on a dull, cloudy day. He extended his hand in greeting. It did not take many minutes for us who are not Salvationists to know Captain Carroll. He soon implanted that feeling as of having known him for years, for each handshake had the presence of a great, big, loving heart at the end of it.

"We had a very happy talk on things in general, after which we had a joyous service, The Salvation Army boys leading in the hymns. Captain Carroll then delivered a splendid address, in simple words suitable to us, and I do assure you, dear sir, 'all' the little seeds did not fall upon 'stony ground.'

"At the termination of our quarantine the Captain invited us to a supper in The Salvation Hall at Brantshot.

"Much credit is due to Ensign Beynor, Mrs. Beynor, and co-workers, in their hearty support, for there is ever an abundance of hard work attached to such functions, which we know full well."

UNITED FOR THE WAR!

Captains Robbins and Colbourne Married by Adjutant Sainsbury.

A very happy event took place at Bridgeport (Nfld.) recently, when Captain T. Robbins and Captain P. Colbourne were united in marriage.

Bridgeport being the Home of the bride, quite a crowd gathered to witness the ceremony, and a number of Officers had come from nearby Corps. The Hall had been newly papered and decorated, which helped to make the scene a very pretty one.

Adjutant T. Sainsbury, from Twillingate, conducted the ceremony. The "I will's" were spoken with no uncertain sound. After the knot had been firmly tied, Mrs. Ensign Stickland spoke on behalf of the married sisters and Ensign Stickland on behalf of the married men. Lieutenant Eason spoke for the groom and Captain Hobbs for the bride. There was a ring of sincerity throughout the whole proceedings.

Captain Robbins has been an Officer for six years, and has been very successful at every Corps he has commanded. Although a little fellow, he has a very large heart, filled with love for God and souls.

Mrs. Robbins became an Officer shortly after her husband. She is a loyal Salvationist, always putting the Kingdom of God first.

Captain and Mrs. Robbins have now gone to take charge of Change Islands Corps (a new opening), and we bespeak for them a very successful stay.

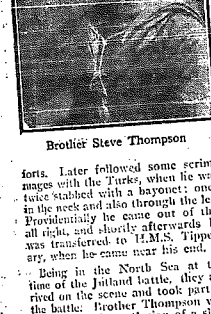
DEAFENED BY GUNS

The Exciting Experiences of a Newfoundland Comrade in the British Navy.

Stephen Thompson was born at Pilley's Island, Notre Dame Bay, Nfld. His father and mother are natives of Bay Roberts, but spent some seven or eight years at Pilley's Island, before coming to Point Leamington, where they remain as Soldiers of the Corps.

At the age of sixteen years Stephen joined the Royal Naval Reserve. When the war broke out in 1914 he was working at Sydney, Nova Scotia. Before being located by the authorities he made known his whereabouts, and within a short time proceeded to Halifax and joined H.M.C.S. Niobe, and for fourteen months was engaged patrolling the Atlantic.

After this he got on board of the S.S. Silician and started for Devonport, Eng., from there to Chatham, where he spent a few weeks before joining H.M.S. Prince George, and started for the Dardanelles, where they were engaged in storming the



Brother Steve Thompson

forts. Later followed some scrimmages with the Turks, when he was twice stabbed with a bayonet; once in the neck and also through the leg. Providentially he came out of this all right, and shortly afterwards he was transferred to H.M.S. Tipperary, when he came near his end.

Being in the North Sea at the time of the Jutland battle, they arrived in the scene and took part in the battle. Brother Thompson was hit through the explosion of a shell on board of his ship, and had his arm broken in two places. Almost immediately followed the sinking of the Tipperary, when out of a crew of three or four hundred only one hundred survived. Brother Thompson was one of the rescued, after spending two and a half hours in the water.

Our hero was in three hospitals: One in Egypt, one in South Wales. It was in South Wales where he became deaf. The doctors said it was caused by the roaring of the guns in a previous engagement. Lastly he was sent to Chatham, where he remained three months and twenty days. He underwent two or three operations to try and cure his deafness, but without success.

Recently he has returned to Port Leamington, where we are all proud to see him. Although he is so deaf that his friends have to write all they say to him, yet we think God Who has brought him through without greater mishap.—W. Cornick.

We Must Capture the Boys

CAPTAIN SPOONER (TERRITORIAL LIFE-SAVING SCOUT LEADER FOR CANADA EAST) WRITES OF THE VALUE OF THE SCOUT MOVEMENT TO THE SALVATION ARMY

A SHORT time ago I was specialling in an Ontario town. While out visiting in the afternoon with the Commanding Officer of the Corps, a lad rushed past us, pausing just long enough to salute and then off again at top speed to catch up to some of his friends. He was just out from school—one of our Life-Saving Scouts belonging to that Corps. Strong, active, healthy of cheek, clean of limb, open of countenance, everything denoting youthful vigour. I thought, "What a splendid type of lad."

Half an hour afterwards we stood in an undertaker's parlours; the Officer had received a call to perform the funeral service over the body of a poor, unfortunate girl. Here, laid out on a slab (for she was not yet placed in the coffin) was the corpse, the wasted form betokening a long and fearful illness. At last, after eighteen years of misery, she was at rest.

At the side of us stood the father—even at this sad time under the influence of liquor. We had previously heard him bargain with the undertaker for the cheapest coffin that could be procured, so that he might spend more of his money in drink. His wife had died years previously, and no doubt she was happily released from this drunken sot.

Father? did I say; scarcely that! I cannot describe to you my feelings at that time. Suffice it to say that I raised my soul to God in prayer, and prayed for strength to fight this curse, and bring its victims to the only One who can break asunder the fetters that so tightly bind them. Could it be possible for my Scout to sink to the level of this man? I thought. And yet perhaps this fellow had been as promising in his youth.

It largely depends on the training in youth as to what kind of man the boy becomes. This is our hope, that we shall make our boys in the Scout Movement men of sterling worth and character, and servants of the Living God. To train the young in the right direction is the noblest and happiest work for any man, but a person cannot do this kind of work without love and the Master's help.

There are the right kind of people in The Salvation Army for this kind of work—men of God, men of character, out for the Salvation of their fellow-man. But it seems we forget the boy is to be the man of the future, and should claim our personal attention. Oh! for consecrated men, consecrated to the Salvation and character-building of the boys—men to work in this great field: the Life-Saving Scout Movement!

What Are the Aims

Briefly they are:—

The Salvation of the body.
The Salvation of the mind.
The Salvation of the soul.
The Salvation of others.

We must get hold of the lads, and when we have them, we must keep them. Satan always been a vexing question: "How can we win and hold our boys?" What numbers we have lost, how many we are in danger of losing. The devil is wise in his work; he attracts, he appeals to their imagination. He allures, and when once he gets hold, he winds around them the chains of habit; binding them down so securely that the majority are his servants and slaves for life.

What are we going to do? Why, we must use that which will also appeal to the boy; fire his imagination, instill right principles of living, wisely and judiciously feed his soul with the bread of life. Some err and expect the lad should have the experience and be attracted by the religion of the Christian of thirty years' standing, never thinking of their impressions of religion at the ages of ten or twelve.

Others equally err on the opposite side, and say the boy is grossly irreligious. Yet the boy is very religious, sensitive to a fault, perhaps unapproachable in the gang, but loyal, honourable, and confiding when once his confidence is gained. The lad, like electricity, will follow the line of least resistance; and he is for us to harness up the superabundance of energy to the Gospel plough. This, I am sure, can be done by the Scout Movement in The Salvation Army.

Benefits to the Lads

The Scout work is simply the extending of our known system of work to the lads along Army lines. The Salvation Army operates on a military plan, but its forces are exerted in the interests of peace, so it is with the Life-Saving Scouts. Think for a moment, the attraction the uniform affords, the outdoor life, swimming, woodcraft, camping in the summer, the hikes into the woods. Then the badges of merit are as the necessary incentive to the boys to progress and persevere in the work. Yet is this all? Is it just the winning of badges, playing games, and Scouting?

No! There is the learning by memory the Pledge and Declaration, constituting a "code of honour" up to which the Scouts strive daily to live. The pleasure coming from the performance of the daily good turn (which the Scout is pledged to perform) must help to form habits leading to right citizenship and good citizens. Will not these exert an influence for good that will be felt in every country of the globe? They will have a regard for their brother Scouts over the water, so that a bond of brotherhood will exist, and may it not be the foundation of the structure that will bring about world-wide peace and happiness?

Then, again, the Salvation of the world lies in the Young People. Save the drunkard, the harlot, the under-world; yes, by all means—but let us get to the root, save the boy from becoming a drunkard; save the girl from sinking to the depths of sin and shame. When the Christian is as earnest after the Salvation of the child, as he is after the adult, then will the greatest revival of real religion that has ever been known in the history of the world.

What Has Been Done

In the short time since the inauguration of this Movement in Canada East there have been one hundred and eighty-five Troops of Life-Saving Scouts and Guards formed, with a membership of nearly 3,500. There are nearly one hundred and fifty registered Troops, and the last Troop to be registered has a membership of sixty-four, in Bermuda.

Numbers of our Scouts have been the means of rendering First-aid and have saved life. One lad saved a girl whose clothing had caught fire. She would undoubtedly have been burnt to death if it had not been for his prompt aid. Another stopped a runaway horse; another saved three lives (two children and a woman, from drowning in Lake Ontario); two others rescued a man who had fallen into an ice hole. These are just a few incidents.

Nearly a quarter of our membership have sought and found Salvation as a result of their connection with the Movement. Whilst in many cases they have been instrumental in the Salvation of their fellows. The Kingdom of God has been enriched by the successful efforts of a number of our Scouts and Guards in the winning of the parents to the Master's service and The Army.

We Are in Need of Help

We are sadly in need of helpers. This war has made terrible inroads into the ranks of our Scout Leaders and Assistants, leaving the Troops sadly depleted. Surely the call goes forth to all who can, to take some responsibility. Will you not enlist your sympathy, your prayers, and your time in this the greater war against the destroyer of our youths? Thus will you hear from Him who said: "Suffer the little ones to come unto Me," words of commendation!

Brother Robert Leaman

"War Cry" Sergeant of Moncton, N.B., who sells weekly fifty "Crys", and ten "Young Soldiers."

ABOMINATIONS OF LUST, FROM THE ENTHRALDOM OF CRIME, AND THE POISON OF UNBELIEF—IN OTHER WORDS, TO ... DEMONS THAT STALK ABOUT THE WORLD DEVOURING THE BODIES AND SOULS OF MEN—BEGIN WITH THEM IN THE TENDER AND IMPRESSIONABLE DAYS OF CHILDHOOD.—WHAT AGE SHOULD THE CHILDREN BE BEFORE THIS WORK BEGINS?—I REPLY: LET THE MOTHER CLASP HER BABE TO HER BOSOM THE MOMENT

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Marriage:—Captain Thomas Robbins, who came out of Pilley's Island, 1:9:10, and is now at Change Islands, to Captain Patience Colbourne, who came out of Chance Harbour, 1:3:11, and west last stationed at Heart's Delight; at Bridgeport on Dec. 21st, 1916, by Adjutant Peter Sainsbury.

W. J. RICHARDS,
Commissioner.

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WINNING THE YOUNG PEOPLE

In the eyes of the law, every one under the age of twenty-one is "an infant." Or, to put it in another way, until that age is reached no one is considered fit to assume the full responsibilities and privileges of life in a civilized community. It is the stage of preparation, the period of learning, the time for the formation of thought and habit. The term—"Young People"—therefore, may very well include all those under twenty-one.

To win these Young People for God must be our aim, and to do so requires intelligent study of their needs at varying ages. We cannot lump them all into one class and teach them as if all had equal capacities for understanding and assimilating truth. During a child's earlier years, say, until the age of seven or eight, play is the great educating force in its life. That is why Primary teachers are more and more recognizing the value of the sand tray, pictures, blackboard drawings, and modelling classes. To require very young children to sit still for any length of time and listen to some one talk is no less than torture to them, and gives them a dislike for Company Meeting. They will readily learn through play, however, and the wise teacher will take full advantage of this.

As the children get older, they begin to reason and show great eagerness in acquiring knowledge. The season of learning by play passes as their powers develop and they demand teaching that will satisfy their new desires.

Another new element that must now be recognized and taken advantage of is the "gang spirit." By this we mean the tendency of young people to get together, to work in harmony for some common object, to belong to a club or a gang. Between the ages of ten and fifteen this instinct is at its height. This is the natural outcome of the search for activity, for according to statistics, the greater number of these gangs or societies or clubs—call them what you will—are organized for the purpose of pursuing some sort of physical recreation. This is where the value of the Life-Saving Scout and Guard Movement in The Army is seen.

But all these various modes of teaching and helping the boys and girls must lead towards the supreme object—their spiritual awakening and conversion. Moody gave it as his opinion that most conversions occur between the ages of ten and twenty. Comparatively few were converted after thirty, and beyond that period the number fell off very rapidly. The best after results in life and service were found in those who had been converted early. Another investigator says that the average age of the conversion of 1,784 men he examined was sixteen, and thirteen per cent. of them were converted under twelve years of age.

Hence we see the tremendous importance of urging Young People to decision for Christ at this most critical stage in their lives. If we fail to help them in their spiritual struggles, in their fights with doubt, fear, pride, and the host of other evil things that bid for their souls, we miss the great object of all our previous efforts. To win the Young People for God and The Army and to make them into stalwart, Blood-and-Fire Salvationists—that is the target towards which we must constantly aim.

Commr. and Mrs. Sowton

LAUNCH AN EIGHT-DAY SALVATION CAMPAIGN AT SASKATOON

EXCEEDINGLY severe weather prevailed at Saskatoon on Sunday, Feb. 4th, the date of the launching, by Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton, of the Eight-day Salvation Campaign.

The meeting on Saturday night prepared us for the good things that were in store on the morrow and the following days. Our Life-Saving Scouts were out in full force. They are indeed a credit to Scout Leader Dibble. The Commissioner gave them a very helpful and instructive address. Mrs. Sowton and Mrs. Major Coombs also spoke.

Major Coombs had charge of the opening exercises in the afternoon. Our Leaders were very enthusiastically received. Adjutant Habkirk was present, and sung one of his special campaign songs.

At night the Citadel was well filled. Among those who addressed the meeting were Mrs. Commissioner Sowton and Staff-Captain Goodwin.

The Commissioner spoke with great liberty and power, and in the prayer meeting urged every Christian to come forward and unite earnestly in prayer for the Salvation of the unsaved. There was great rejoicing when two men rose up and came to the Mercy Seat. These were quickly followed by a number of Young People. One young man left the meeting under deep conviction, but was followed by two comrades, who persuaded him to return; and, after an earnest talk with him, he also gave his heart to God.

After the Benediction had been pronounced, there were still a number at the Penitent Form. Mrs. Sowton, together with some of the Soldiers, prayed with and endeavoured to help them, with the result that these halting ones received the assurance of sins forgiven. Total souls forward, ten.

An Officers' Meeting was held by the Commissioner during the Campaign, which was very helpful and much appreciated.

On Monday afternoon the Commissioner gave a Bible reading. A meeting in the afternoon at Saskatoon Citadel was certainly an innovation, but it proved to be a great success.

Almost immediately after the Commissioner's fervent appeal at night, a woman, without any persuasion, came forward, knelt at the Mercy Seat, and cried to God for forgiveness. Five others followed, to the great joy of God's people. Mrs. Captain Scott of North Battleford spoke and Mrs. Adjutant Johnston soloed.

On Tuesday afternoon Major Coombs gave a lantern service to the Young People, illustrating the life of Christ. The Commissioner described the circumstances connected with each scene portraying our Saviour's life that was shown on the screen. At the close twelve Young People expressed a desire to give themselves to God.

Towards evening the temperature rose considerably, in fact, the weather became quite mild in comparison to what had prevailed during the previous week. This welcome change permitted an open-air to be held. Quite a large number of people stood around and were attracted to the inside meeting. A full Band was in attendance. Captain Parsons, of Humboldt, spoke, and Adjutant Habkirk soloed.

As in the previous meetings, God used Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton mightily. It encouraged them exceedingly to see the husband of the woman who came forward on the Monday night volunteer for Salvation. Another man followed, who shortly after was joined by his two daughters and a son. One dear woman (a backslider) left the Hall under deep conviction, but returned, and, after a struggle with self and the evil one, eventually surrendered and claimed the victory. There were eight forward, including two who desired to give themselves to God. The Campaign has been an impetus to the work here.

Lieut.-Colonel Turner

VISITS COMPANY MEETINGS DURING THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

On Sunday, Feb. 4th, Lieut.-Colonel Turner, accompanied by Captain McPhedran, of Divisional Headquarters, visited several of the Company Meetings at the different City Corps and gave a short address to the Young People.

The day began by giving an interesting little talk to the Directory Class at the Citadel at 10.30 a.m. Then again at two o'clock at the No. II. Corps, and from there the Colonel hurried on to Elmwood (Winnipeg VII.), while Captain McPhedran went to No. III.

The Colonel was successful in reaching St. James in time to give the Young People there an interesting address on "Snow," and had the joy of seeing five Juniors seeking Christ. The Company Meeting at St. James is doing splendidly, the Hall being too small to accommodate the children. The weather was extremely cold, but the children turned out well.

The visit of the Colonel was very much appreciated by the Officers and Young People's Sergeant-Majors of the different Corps, and it was their desire that the Colonel should favour them with another visit at a future date.

PERSONALIA

INTERNATIONAL

The General was unable to conduct his Campaign at Congress Hall (Clapton), owing to an attack of influenza. The Chief of the Staff substituted, and a glorious time was experienced, with one hundred and forty-three at the Mercy Seat. The afternoon service was a memorial to Salvationists who have fallen during the war. Many prominent people were on the platform.

Mrs. Booth recently met one hundred and seventy Home League members of Luton Corps. It is interesting to note that the League's roll call in the British Isles has now 500 branches and 20,000 members.

Commissioner Higgins conducted Young People's Councils at Glasgow recently. Twelve hundred Young People were present, and there were one hundred and forty seekers.

Commissioner Adelaide Cox has been appointed by The General to represent The Army upon the Commission which has been formed to inquire into the cinema evil.

Colonel and Mrs. Jeffries' son Harry has been awarded the Military Medal for conspicuous bravery. The Colonel has five sons on active service, four of whom have been wounded.

Colonel Wilson has received as reinforcements for The Army's work amongst the soldiers in the British Isles and in France twenty-five Officers from the British Field. Within a few hours of their transfer being intimated they had all received appointments.

Lieut.-Colonel Yesu Dazo (Hipsey), who has been resting in England for some months, is returning to India in the near future.

TERRITORIAL

CANADA WEST

Forty souls came forward for Salvation and Holiness during the Special Salvation Campaign conducted by Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton at Saskatoon.

The Commissioner has decided that a Men's Social Annual be held at Edmonton on Wednesday, March 9th. Major Sims (the Men's Social Secretary) will have charge of the proceedings.

Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton will conduct the Young People's Councils at Calgary, Sunday and Monday, Feb. 25th-26th. Among other places to be favoured with a visit from our Leaders will be Kamloops and Nanaimo.

Lieut.-Colonel Turner presided at a Musical Festival given by the St. James' Band at the Deer Lodge Soldiers' Convalescent Home on Tuesday, Feb. 6th. Major Sims was also present.

The Territorial Secretary conducted the funeral of Captain Stephen Nancarrow at the Winnipeg Citadel on Friday, Feb. 9th.

Social Annuals, in which both the Men's and Women's Social Departments will be represented, will be held at Vancouver and Calgary on Monday, March 26th, and Wednesday, March 28th, respectively. The Territorial Secretary, assisted by Major Sims, will conduct these special meetings.

Lieut.-Colonel Turner will have charge of the farewell meetings of the China Party at Brandon, Regina, Swift Current, and Calgary, March 7th to 12th.

Staff-Captain Peacock will conduct a Special Campaign at Calgary from Feb. 27th to March 8th.

Adjutant Pugmire will conduct the special Choir and Band at the Grace Hospital Anniversary at the Grace Church, Winnipeg, on Feb. 20th.

Captain and Mrs. Allan, Captain and Mrs. Junker, and Captain and Mrs. Hodgson have been promoted to the rank of Ensign. Congratulations!

We are glad to learn that Adjutant Meikle and Captain Brown are recovering, and hope to be able to take an appointment in the near future.

Captain and Mrs. Beckett, Captain and Mrs. Phillips, and Captain Fisher, who have been accepted for the China Missionary Field, will pay a visit to relatives in Toronto before taking their departure.

The Territorial Salvation Singers gave an excellent programme at the Winnipeg II. Corps on Thursday, Feb. 8th.

A Young People's Congress was conducted by the Commissioner in Winnipeg on Feb. 10th-11th.

The severe snowstorms have greatly interfered with the train service. The train on which Major Coombs and Staff-Captain Goodwin were travelling recently was "snowed up" for over forty hours.

Lieutenant E. Waterston, who has been furloughing at Wetaskiwin, has been transferred to Canada West.

CANADA EAST

The Commissioner will visit London for the week-end Feb. 24th-26th, to conduct meetings in connection with the re-opening of the No. I. Citadel.

Commissioner Mapp had a splendid week-end at Peterboro, with twenty seekers, and at Lindsay on Monday night he lectured on Japan in St. Andrew's Church; Mr. C. E. Weeks presided.

Lieut.-Colonel Smeeton conducted the wedding of Brother Moulton and Sister Roberts at Dovercourt on Feb. 8th.

Brigadier Adby reports encouraging news as to the progress of the Young People's Campaign in his Division. On Tuesday, Feb. 13th, he met the Officers in Council at the Temple. Major and Mrs. McAmmond said farewell on this occasion.

At the United Holiness Meeting conducted by Brigadier Bell last Friday at Parliament Street, Sergeant Barsby, of the 198th Battalion, farewelled for overseas, and expressed his determination to stand firm for God.

Brigadier Green, we are glad to say, is recovering nicely, and wishes to thank all comrades for messages of sympathy and assurances of prayers.

Major Walton writes to say that he now spends all his time visiting the hospitals. He has given away a hundred and seventy Testaments to wounded soldiers.

Adjutant and Mrs. Kendall have terminated another successful campaign at Lisgar Street. There were thirty-five seekers.

Mrs. Adjutant Green, of St. John I., has been very ill with tonsilitis, we regret to hear. She is now getting better, however.

The staff of the Toronto Hospital for Incurables have sent an expres-

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BE SOUL-SAVERS FIRST

COMMISSIONER RICHARDS

STIRS THE SOLDIERS OF THE DOVERCOURT CORPS WITH RINGING CALL TO RENEWED ATTACKS ON DEVIL'S TRENCHES DURING SPECIAL CAMPAIGN

A SOLDIERS' meeting, led by the Commissioner—that is a treat indeed. On account of the many public claims upon his time, it is not often that our Leader has the opportunity to devote an evening solely to this purpose. Of late, however, he has felt that the time has arrived when he must get closer up to his own people, and in heart-to-heart talks, set before them those ideals towards which he is anxious they should be continuously striving.

At the beginning of the year, therefore, he decided to conduct a series of meetings for Soldiers only at various centres. That this has been much appreciated, and that great good has resulted from the gatherings is abundantly proved by letters received from various comrades, testifying to blessings received and victories gained. One young woman tells of her resolve to be a fully-uniformed, out-and-out Salvation Soldier in future; another relates how she afresh heard the call to Officership; whilst veteran Soldiers speak of receiving fresh baptisms of the old-time power and new visions of their responsibility before God for saving a lost world.

When the turn of the Dovercourt Soldiers came to meet their Commissioner, they showed their elation over the event by turning out in such numbers that the Hall was practically filled. It was a goodly company of earnest, God-fearing people therefore that greeted our Leader on the night of Wednesday, February 7th, anxious for some spiritual uplift and some wise counsel that would better fit them for the unceasing war that the Salvationist wages against sin and the devil.

Outside, the busy world surged on, intent on business or pleasure; here was a little company of people crucified to the world and turning from it to seek Jesus only. Such was the impression the meeting gave one from the start. A sublime seriousness permeated the whole atmosphere, not a melancholy feeling by any means, but rather a joyous consciousness of being on holy ground, where the descent of the Spirit of God could be experienced.

The Commissioner is heard at his best in a meeting like this. Perhaps he is conscious that all opposing elements are absent, that the bulk of his hearers are one with him in his burning zeal to push on the Salvation War; and that his words fall on sympathetic ears. Anyhow, he throws himself into his task of enlightening and encouraging his Soldiers and also warning them of what to beware, with all his accustomed ardour; and there comes into the meeting that indefinable feeling which carries with it absolute certainty that God is there and is speaking through His servant.

The Commissioner's address at Dovercourt brought very forcibly to our minds the declaration of Paul: 'My speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God."

Very powerfully he emphasized the vital necessity of the Salvation Soldier being first of all a soul-saver. The origin of The Army and its marvellous growth, he pointed out, was but the result of love for souls burning brightly in the hearts of our Founder and those around him in those days. "It must still be our primary object to get people saved," he said, "or we will become useless to God, and He will raise up others in our place."

Such words remind us of a story we once heard which contains a very clear warning to us as Soldiers of God. This is the story: It is said that a soldier who enlisted in the American Civil War took along his kit of watchmaker's tools, and while they were in camp he did considerable business. But one day when the order came to strike tents and prepare for battle, he looked around his tent in dismay and exclaimed: "Why, I can't possibly go, for I have twelve watches to repair which I have promised by Saturday night." That man had forgotten what he enlisted for. Does not the same danger often confront us as Salvationists?

"Our business," to again quote the Commissioner, "is to prepare people for the other world." Let us not forget for what we have enlisted."

The Commissioner, in fiery, eloquent, and enthusiastic manner, went on to point out how a Corps may be a soul-saving Corps. Filled with his great theme, he poured out burning words like a liquid flame; stirring, inspiring, arousing—a trumpet-call to renewed, desperate assaults on the trenches of the evil one, especially during the Special Campaign that we are now in the midst of.

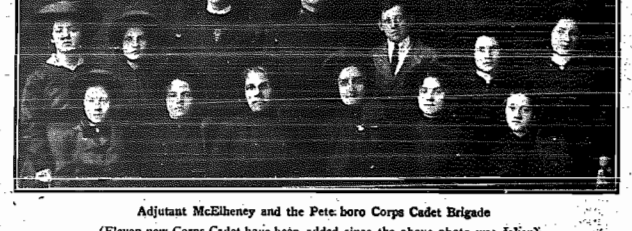
"It doesn't take brains to win souls," he exclaimed; "the chief qualification for this work is to be filled with the Holy Ghost."

And this reminds us of another good little story which may serve as an appropriate illustration. It is this: Two pastors' wives were visiting together. One said: "I don't know what we will do—my husband is so discouraged. Somehow his people do not care to hear him preach, and our salary is far behind. My husband feels so blue that he does not like to visit the people and pray with them, and so he sits around at home nearly all the time." The other sister said: "We are getting along fine. My husband spends much of his time visiting, and the people like to have him kneel and pray with them in their homes. Our congregations are always good, and our salary is paid up promptly." While the two sisters were talking they were mending trousers. One was mending her husband's trousers at the seat; the other was mending her husband's trousers at the knees.

Perhaps no more fitting comment on this could be found than in the Commissioner's concluding words: 'The Holy Ghost needs only willing Soldiers. They will be the pipes through which He will win sinners and backsliders."

The meeting concluded with prayer and testimony; the feelings and determination of the Soldiers being very well expressed in the following old-time, lilting chorus, which was sung again and again with much fervour and to the accompaniment of a wave offering:—

"On, on, on, up to Glory;
I've left the road of sin I used to travel in,
And I'm going with The Army up to Glory!"



Adjutant McElheney and the Peterboro Corps Cadet Brigade
(Eleven new Corps Cadet have been added since the above photo was taken)

"IT IS LAID THERE, AND SAY: "I WILL NURSE THIS CHILD FOR GOD, AND LEAD IT IN THE WAYS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS."—LET THE FATHER GO DOWN ON HIS KNEES THE MOMENT HIS BOYS AND GIRLS COME UNDER HIS CONTROL AND

RESOLVE THAT BY THE GRACE OF GOD HE WILL NOT ONLY SAVE THEM FROM GOING DOWN INTO THE PIT, BUT TRAIN THEM TO BECOME SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS—SAVIOURS OF MEN—AND INHERITORS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.—

The Salvation War in the Home Field

ADVANCING STEADILY

Survivor Finds God—Outpost Work Thriving.

The Salvation Army in New Glasgow is living up to its reputation as a "going concern." Since the New Year we have made advances, among them being the opening of our work at Trenton and at Thorburn—these two places are being run as Outposts for the time being, but with every prospect of some day being self-supporting Corps—more particularly Trenton, it being an incorporated town and the centre of munition works.

Major Crichton was with us early; and he conducted a revival crusade for the three days. He also paid a visit to Trenton and spoke to a large crowd in the Temperance Hall, and was much impressed with the baby Corps of the Division.

We have had a number of converts recently, among them being a man who lost all his personal belongings in a steamer which was torpedoed. He only had ten minutes to get off the boat before the latal shot was fired which sent her to the bottom with all her cargo. This man had a greater enemy than the submarine, and that was his terrible appetite for strong drink; he came in our Citadel not knowing where he was wandering, and, after being spoken to by the Officer, he came out to the Mercy Seat, and made a start for the better world. He was fed and clothed, and, being willing to work, a situation was found for him, and here he has every prospect of being a zealous worker for the Master.

In connection with our work in Thorburn, we may say that it is through the hard work of Brother and Sister Thomas Scott that we have been able to get a foothold on the place. After conducting cottage meetings and being unable to accommodate the crowds, it was decided to rent a store on the main street for the purpose of commencing operations in real Salvation Army style. Ensign Beecroft and Brother W. Dawson, of New Glasgow, conducted the opening ceremony; the place was packed to the doors, and a real, old-fashioned Army meeting was conducted. Rev. Mr. Burns, of the Presbyterian Church, prayed God's blessing on our work, and also spoke words of welcome, mentioning that The Salvation Army only had one object, and that was "To seek and to Save that which was lost."

One grand feature at this service was the commissioning of Brother and Sister Scott as Outpost Sergeants; and without a doubt their work will be blessed and owned of God. We have Lieutenant Thornhill assisting us, but still the cry goes out: "Come over and help us."
—J. W. B.

DIVISIONAL COMMANDER

Pays Visit—Eight Juniors Forward

On Monday, Feb. 5th, at Perth, we had a visit from Brigadier Morehen. We had a profitable time together. At the close of the meeting four souls knelt at the Mercy Seat. We have had during the past month four adults and eight Juniors at the Penitent Form.

WORK IS GROWING

Souls Seek God—Plans for the Campaign.

The fire is still burning brightly at St. John I., and God is blessing the efforts put forth by Officers and Soldiers. The work is growing, a lot of new faces can be seen on our platform, and there are still greater things in store, for God is working mightily in our midst.

Plans are laid and programmes are now out for a mighty bombardment of the strongholds of Satan during the month of February, and faith is high for glorious results in the saving of the Young People. This branch of the work is also doing splendidly.

On Wednesday, Jan. 24th, Major Barr conducted a special Soldiers' meeting. His talk stirred all hearts, and he made all feel their need of doing their bit, showing how important every detail of the work is from the Cradle Roll to the Seniors.

Thursday night God met with us and one brother surrendered, and is now taking a hold stand. On Saturday night a blessed time was experienced, and a sister sought and found Christ.

Sunday all day was the Gate of Heaven to our souls. God's Spirit was Divinely near. At night we had a rousing prayer meeting, when three souls surrendered; two in particular have been the subjects of much prayer. A Hallelujah wind-up and dance took place, and we closed the meeting full of joy and giving God the glory for having made bare His arm. In spite of the extremely cold weather open-air fighting is kept bravely up.—Fighter.

SEVERAL FORWARD

Faith for Young People's Campaign

On Sunday, Feb. 4th, at Montreal IV. Captain and Mrs. Atkins led our meetings. We have great expectations for a revival here; in fact, we are putting faith and works together in connection with the Young People's Campaign just launched, to make the same a great success. Several souls came forward during the Sunday's meetings.

We have a contractor busy with hammer and brush, renovating our Hall; we are also going to have a up-to-date lighting system of brackets, instead of the old-fashioned single lamps.

After the rush of Christmas playing our Band has begun again the regular spiritual meetings every month. These prove seasons of great help and blessing.—G. Dondenaz.

WORK PROSPERING

God continues to bless our efforts at Bridgewater, N.S. At the close of Captain Bramley's address, "Consider Your Latter End," on Jan. 27th, one soul sought Salvation.

During visitation our Officers visited a sick man. He cried to God for mercy and is still trusting in Him. On Feb. 2nd a young girl came forward.

In the Sunday morning Holiness meeting a man who, for some weeks, has been under conviction, yielded to God's Holy Spirit. Converts and Recruits are standing by the Officers in open-air and indoor meetings, praying and testifying to Salvation.

SOULS BEING SAVED

Seventeen for the Day—Locals Are Commissioned.

A number of souls have been won for Jesus in the last few weeks at Stratford; and great interest is being taken in the meetings. Several of the converts are taking their stand in the open-air. Some have never been to the Hall before, and one gave her testimony that God spoke to her and told her to go down to The Salvation Army and ask God to help her live a better life.

Last Sunday there were seventeen for the day, a number of the older boys and girls being among the number. We have four Corps Cadets, with Mrs. Wilder as the Corps Cadet Guardian, and have a splendid class each week. We are in to do our bit to assist our Officers, Adjutant and Mrs. Wier.

The Locals have just been commissioned — Sergeant-Major Clark taking the place of our old one, who moved to Toronto. Mr. Cadman is very faithful in meeting the converts. Sister Hepelen is leaving us for a while. She is going to England to visit her mother. They will miss her at the House of Refuge—for each week, with Mrs. Cadman, they hold meetings there. We have great faith for the Soul-saving Campaign.—R. R.

REVIVAL SPIRIT

In Evidence—Souls Seek the Saviour

Sunday, Feb. 4th, was a memorable day in the history of Edmonton III. Corps. In spite of the extremely cold weather the attendances were exceptionally good. The Holiness meeting in the morning was a time of great spiritual blessing, and one sister came forward for consecration.

In the night's meeting God's Spirit was very much felt, and we had the joy of seeing two souls at the Mercy Seat. One of these comrades we had made a special matter of prayer for some time past, and, bless God, our prayers have been answered.

We have recently witnessed some fine cases of conversion, and all of these comrades are taking their stand. The Spirit of Revival is very much in evidence, and with God's help we are in for victory.

HOLD SUCCESSFUL COTTAGE MEETINGS

Dartmouth Corps is doing a great work for the Kingdom by means of cottage meetings, where the Lord is praised nor only by the mouth, but from the heart.

We are all praying for the speedy recovery of our beloved Commanding Officers (Captain Bellamy), who is in the hospital, and is very sick.

Captain Howe is leading us on during her absence, and is keeping the Blood-and-Fire Flag flying in the face of the enemy.—J. T. W.

SPECIAL ADDRESS

On Sunday, Feb. 4th, at Edmonton II., Captain Dray, of Divisional Headquarters, led us on. God came very near in our Holiness meeting and blessed us. At night a nice crowd turned out to hear the Captain speak on "Peter in Prison." His words were a source of blessing to the comrades.

TWO SERGEANT-MAJORS

Lead United Meeting—Khaki Boy Forward.

Lippincott has been favoured with two distinguished visitors, Sergeant-Major Burditt and Sergeant-Major Alward of Winnipeg. They conducted a volcanic type of a meeting in our Citadel Monday night, Feb. 5th. A huge crowd greeted them; the enthusiasm was contagious, and it was a very-much-alive time.

Sergeant-Major Alward, in his own way, conducted the testimony meeting. Oh, the variety of method—truly it was proven that simplicity and power are inseparable. There was music and dancing (Biblical).

Sergeant-Major Burditt was the speaker of the evening. Oh, such a flaming, blazing twenty-five minutes it was; he poured out truths, and the audience was spellbound. One dear lad in khaki wended his way, to the Mercy Seat. Hallelujah!

Many Officers of the different city Corps were in attendance, also many comrades and friends from the Temple and Dovercourt Corps. We wish our visiting comrades God's richest blessings in their labours. The one-ness of spirit that prevailed leads us to exclaim, "It truly was a united meeting!"—M. J.

BIBLE CLASS A SUCCESS

Help for the Suffering Belgians

The Senior Bible Class is meeting with good success at Ingersoll, the attendance is keeping up in spite of the weather, and a keen interest in the lessons is shown by the comrades and friends. God's Presence is felt as we study His Word, and we believe much good will be the result.

The resolution passed by the members of the class to assist the unfortunate people of Belgium is meeting with hearty response, and several friends have largely increased their donations.

Master Harold Gray, son of Mr. Howard Gray (Oxford Street), received a present of some money at Christmas time and he gave to The Army $1.20 of his present to help the Belgians. This is a highly commendable act on the part of the lad and is an inspiration to those engaged in this noble work.—F. C. D.

MANY SOULS SAVED

Plans Made to Boost the Young People's Work.

Recently at Dundas we had a visit from Lieut.-Colonel Chandler, and a number sought God in the night meeting. We are pleased to be able to report they are still saved and trying to serve God.

On Monday last we had a Soldiers' Tea, which was splendidly arranged by two of our sisters—Mrs. Slade and Mrs. Jones—for which the Captain and Sergeant-Major thanked them. A great deal of hard work was put into it. Captain Spelter brought before the Soldiers plans for the advance of the Young People's Work and the Senior Corps. God is making Himself known amongst us. We are hoping for a great revival throughout the whole Corps in the near future.

BUT WHEN FATHERS AND MOTHERS IN THEIR SELFISH UNBELIEF NEGLECT THIS SACRED DUTY, AND LEAVE THEIR CHILDREN TO GROW UP THE BOND-SLAVES OF SIN AND SATAN AND TO TURN UNHINDERED THEIR LITTLE FEET

Shadowgraphs

BY THE SHADOW

SHADOW HEARS—

That the Chief Secretary's Holiness Meeting in the Parliament St. Hall was a brilliant success. One person took her ring off and gave herself wholly to God.

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Pride will ever debar souls from Full Salvation, and these things are evidences of pride.

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That the Commissioner receives regular letters from all our Chaplains, but one, and they encourage and inspire him much. They are doing well.

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That Brigadier Green is still very ill. Comrades, pray for him.

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That West Toronto are looking forward to their new Young People's Hall with delight. Shadow expects that every Soldier here will make financial sacrifices to bring about results.

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That plans are out for the Verdun (Montreal) new Citadel, and that Major Moore is at present in Bermuda to raise money for extensive alterations to the Hamilton Citadel.

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That Newfoundland has the following building schemes in hand: New building going up at Heart's Delight; reconstruction at Clark's Beach; a new site at Boting Cove, and foundation already laid. Bay Roberts cleared some hundreds of dollars off their building. Well done, Newfoundland.

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Shadow hears that a new Hall has been secured for Lansdowne Corps. That the Napanee building is being altered as per Brampton. That North Toronto comrades are enthusiastic over the thought of a new Hall, and that every Soldier is going to do their best financially towards the same.

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That touches of the "Grippe" have visited the St. John's Headquarters; but all have kept on their feet.

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That the Young People's Campaign has started well in the St. John Division, and that all Headquarters' Staff are full steam ahead.

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That Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Chandler brought a whiff of the northern cold snap into Territorial Headquarters last week. They were full of good news, however, in spite of weather conditions.

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That Mrs. Lieut.-Colonel Chandler pinned twenty-five Home League buttons on the members of the newly-inaugurated branch at Brantford.

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That Welland Corps is getting ready for its new Citadel. A married couple out for Salvation on Sunday last, with others.

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That at Cobalt, Captain Bird is having successful cottage meetings—last week Kerr Lake yielded twenty-six people in one cottage.

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That Ensign Clarke, of Hamilton III., has increased his order for Easter "War Crys" from 300 to 1,000 in view of successful cottage meetings that he is holding in the East End of Hamilton. Shadow is convinced that all can do cottage meetings.

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Shadow, strolling around Union Station, saw a big group of Salvationists talking excitedly together. What's to do? Why, Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Bond are leaving on their long trip by land and sea for Australia.

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Many a tear dropped, many a quiver in the voice, many a God-speed. The train steams off, and the group quietly separates.

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Shadow saw Brigadier Bell and Major DesBrisay in the Commissioner's Private Secretary's Office, and heard that an important conference was to be held on Training College matters.

CHEERING THE WOUNDED

TERRITORIAL SECRETARY PRESIDES AT A MUSICALE GIVEN IN WINNIPEG CONVALESCENT HOME BY THE ST. JAMES' BAND

SHORTLY after the commencement of the war, when Canada began to receive her share of the wounded, Roderick McKenzie, Esq., owner of a splendidly-equipped and beautifully-situated hotel at Deer Lodge (a western suburb of Winnipeg), handed this property over to the Government to be used for the reception and care of those incapacitated by war.

At the present there are about fifty returned soldiers at this ideal convalescent home. Captain and Mrs. Allan (Officers in charge of St. James' Corps), in whose district the institution is located, visit the soldiers and distribute Salvation Army literature among them. The Matron (Lieutenant M. P. Richardson) receives them with great kindness and is fully in sympathy with them in their efforts to cheer and bless the convalescent.

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 6th, the St. James' Band gave a programme of music and song, which was very much appreciated. Lieut.-Colonel Turner (the Territorial Secretary) presided on this occasion. After the opening song had been sung, Major Sims informed the gathering how pleased the Band were to have the privilege of bringing an hour of cheer to the soldier boys.

The Territorial Secretary made an excellent Chairman. There were a number of individual items; among them being a recitation by Miss Bulton of the Grace Hospital Staff, a pianoforte solo by Miss McClellant, and vocal solos by Miss Mary Hockings. The Bandmaster's daughter—Sister L. Dancy—gave an excellent recitation, and also played a pianoforte solo. The Band's playing was very creditable indeed and the selections chosen very appropriate. Bandmaster Dancy gave two solos—one vocal and one on the cornet.

When Colonel Turner, in the course of his remarks, made reference to the large number of young lads in the Band, and explained the reason, viz.: that they filled the gaps made by those who had enlisted, great enthusiasm prevailed.

Sergeant-Major Angus, who is attached to the staff, thanked the Band and those who had rendered the different items on behalf of the soldiers and their friends. "We have enjoyed every moment, and trust another such programme will be given in the near future," he said.

Convalescent Soldiers at Deer Lodge, Winnipeg

Refreshments were served and the visitors had the opportunity of having a little social intercourse with the inmates of the Lodge. It is interesting to note there is a commercial school, carpenter's shop, and poultry farm in full operation at the home, where the soldiers who are unable to follow their former vocations can be taught a trade or profession which will enable them to support themselves in the future.

Commissioner Mapp

HAS SPLENDID WEEK-END AT PETERBORO—TWENTY SEEKERS FORWARD

[By Wire]

Peterboro, Feb. 13.—Expectations high, but over-reached at Commissioner Mapp's week-end: crowded meetings. Delighted, yes, charmed, audiences gave enthusiastic welcome to the Commissioner. Best public men on platform expressed in certain terms their appreciation. Good offerings; but, best of all, twenty souls seek the Saviour. Hip, hip, hurrah! All united in pressing invitation to come again.—Adjutant McElheney.

HOLINESS MEETING AT PARLIAMENT

Very Profitable—Bright Testimonies—One Forward.

The United Holiness Meetings held in the Parliament Street Citadel, under the direction of Brigadier Bell, are very interesting indeed, and times of great blessing to all who attend.

The standard of Holiness is unfurled, and through the Brigadier's talks we are getting fresh revelations of what the blessing of Holiness really is; and, praise God, many are stepping out into the Light.

On Friday evening, Feb. 9th, Sergeant Barsby, of the 198th (Buffs) Battalion, gave a farewell address. He expressed his determination to be faithful to God and The Army. Brigadier Bell and one of his comrades paid tribute to our departing comrade's faithfulness and the blessing he had been to his comrades, leading many of them to the Saviour. Brigadier Bell then commended him to God.

A beautiful spirit prevailed in the meeting. Bright, definite testimonies were given, and the singing was splendid. The Brigadier's talk on "Salvation," our perception of its character, was enjoyed by all present; being full of truth and inspiration for those already in possession of the blessing, and creating in the hearts of others a longing to enjoy the blessing.

One soul yielded her all to the Saviour, and claimed the blessing of Full Salvation.

REVIVAL FIRE SPREADS

Forty Seek God—Soldiers and Sailors Among the Number.

Truly God is with us at St. John's I., Nfld., and a thorough revival flame is being graciously poured out upon this Corps. During the past week over forty souls have surrendered and found mercy.

Last Sunday night twenty-nine came from all parts of the building—some with arms raised, while others fell prostrate in the dust before God. Amongst the number were five bluejackets, three military men, while others were big, stalwart, healthy men and women. The prayer meeting was a boiling cauldron of prayer. The efforts of the Band and Soldiery and of new converts is something to be remembered. The Citadel was crowded to the doors until the closing of the prayer meeting, making it impossible to do much fishing. Adjutant and Mrs. Brace are in charge.—Arthur Worker.

A REVIVAL OF RELIGION

We have won many victories at Huntsville since our present Officers, Captain and Mrs. Cubitt, came last October. We heat all records on our Christmas playing, defying the frost by wrapping up our instruments.

We have had several good cases of conversion lately, regular trophies of grace. A series of revival services have just closed, and twenty-three came forward and claimed Salvation.

February is to be devoted expressly to the Young People. God has already answered our prayers, and given us a good start, with six Young People. On the whole, the Corps is like a young giant, spiritually, just realizing its power, through God's grace.—T. W. C.

INTO THE PATHS THAT GO DOWN TO THE REGIONS OF DEATH, THEN ALL TRUE SOLDIERS OF CHRIST, WHETHER THEY FIGHT UNDER OUR BANNER OR NOT, MUST COME IN AND DO THE WORK THESE PARENTS LEAVE UNDONE.
—General William Booth.

CAPTAIN MAC

A FAMOUS AUSTRALIAN SALVATIONIST

By HAROLD BEGBIE

UNDER the above heading, Mr. Harold Begbie has written in "Lloyd's Weekly," an interesting sketch of Lieut.-Colonel McKenzie. From this we take the following characteristic extracts.

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It is one of the mysteries of the character of Jesus that he attracts all sorts and conditions of men—a mystic like St. Francis, a scholar like Newman, an unimaginative Englishman like Dr. Johnson, and a great, hearty, fight-loving Australian like Captain Mac. What a mystery is the attraction of Jesus!

This Captain Mac is a big, solid person, with a brown Australian skin, black hair, black eyes, a black moustache, and a voice that would fill the Crystal Palace. His eyes shine and burn and twinkle with an animation so excessive that you cannot imagine how he doesn't explode, or how he manages to sit still for two minutes together. And his smile is of the kind that makes everybody else smile, and that gives energy to the feeblest, and bestows good spirits on the saddest. A great, big, hearty man, overflowing with the joy of existence, bursting with energy, and longing, always longing, for a fight.

"They gave you the Military Cross?" I asked him. "What was that for?"

"Ah! that's telling," he replied, and shook his head.

"But surely you can tell me."

"But surely I won't." Again he shook his head, smiling, and looking away from me. "Let's talk of something else. For instance——"

"I've heard rumours about Gallipoli," I persisted.

"A lot of stories have gathered round that!"

"But tell me."

"All right; I will." He squares his shoulders, ready to make a clean breast of it.

"It was like this. They were giving Military Crosses to a lot of our Australians one day, and at the end of the ceremony there was one over. I happened to be passing at the time, and so they gave it to me!"

You should have heard his laughter. It shook the tea things.

Captain MacKenzie was born in Scotland, full in every vein of fighting blood. "I wanted to enlist in the Seaforth Highlanders," he told me; "my Highland blood sang for it, but it wasn't to be. I was taken as a child to Australia, and there began to push fortunes."

All the piety of his Scottish ancestry was forgotten. He thought only of one thing—the main chance. But one day he came up again The Salvation Army. It seemed to him, all of a sudden, that here was a chance for a fight, and the grandest fight in the world. First of all (for he was a wild, strong man) with his own soul.

Fighting a Great Evil

"What a religion!" he cries. "This was the real article! It meant giving up things—drink, tobacco, and much else—and facing scorn and derision. It meant going down to the mud and the slime, it meant living with the lowest and the worst, it meant fighting with the devil himself for the souls of men. Lor', it snatched me clean out of myself. It hit me, like a blow. It was so real, so honest. I said to myself, 'Here's the true religion for a fighting man'; and off I went to be converted and to sign on."

You can imagine that to such a man as this the War came as a trumpet blast. He signed on as chaplain. He is by rights Chaplain-Colonel MacKenzie, but the Anzacs have dubbed him "Captain Mac," and Captain Mac he'll stay in their hearts till the end of the chapter. Scores of those gallant fellows have slipped into the next world out of his arms, his voice the last of earthly voices to reach them in the darkness of death, a kind, confident, masculine voice—good old Captain Mac!

One can believe that if an angel challenged any of those Australian souls on the other side, they must have answered, "Captain Mac sent me!" The men love him—for he is as valorous as the best of them, and tender, too, when it comes to comforting the dying.

He came into their hearts in this way: When the Australians were waiting for orders in Egypt, creeping sons of the devil got among them with whispers of certain secret things to be seen for a little silver. I cannot even give you a hint of those things. It is enough for you to know that on this earth nothing more hideously and loathsomely vile can be seen by eyes of man.

Some of the Australians slipped away to see these shows. Drink of a poisonous kind got hold of them. They were boys in a strange land. It was not difficult for a wily and insidious devil to lead them away from the camp, to drag them down, before they knew it, to the abyss of iniquity.

Well, into those vile places strode Captain Mac, scattering confusion and pulling out his boys. "What'ud your mother say to see you in such a place?" "Boys, how will you look your sister in the eyes again?" And not only this. He went to Authority. What! is this the reception prepared for pure and healthy boys going to face death for the Mother Country?—Is this the glory of the British Empire?—is this the best that England can do for her sons?

It was explained to him that England's power is not sovran over all Egypt, that there have been "concessions" to other nationalities, that—this, that, and the other thing. But the end? Captain Mac got his way. Those concessions, do you remember? were abolished. The iniquity was wiped out. Well done, Captain Mac, and well done, Colonel Unsworth, also of The Salvation Army. (The cleansing of Egypt will one day be a story well worthy to be read.)

A Big Brother

And then Captain Mac, with his gallant Australians, went to the Dardanelles. Those Australians who faced death with a courage so sublime and an intelligence so incomparable that they have made an epic of imperishable glory out of that tragic failure, saw how their chaplain could face death as well as the devil. He was with them always. Nothing could hold him back. The Australians got to love this big brother. They came to his services. They sang his hymns. They said "Our Father" after him. And when they were dying, they snuggled themselves into his breast. His tunic has been wet through with their tears and their sweat.

He was with them through the thick of it, and with them when they had to give up the heights they had won, and return to the ships in the bay. He was with them on their way to France. He had tasted victory, he has tasted bitterness.

"Ah, the tragedy of it all!" he exclaimed, heaving a sigh. "I shall never forget as long as I live a splendid sergeant coming back from the front trenches on the Somme, and throwing himself on my chest, and sobbing there like a child, just like a little child. 'Charlie's dead! Charlie's dead!—Oh, Mac, whatever shall I say to mother?' He had seen his own brother killed at his side. And this man is well over six feet, strong as iron, brave as any Australian, and dour as a Scot. But he cried like a child. Ah, it's a tragedy! The flower of our manhood! Beautiful boys at the threshold of life! And look how some of them die.

"The other day I was watching a regiment ploughing back from the trenches through mud up to their waists. This mud is like porridge—it's thick, it's sticky. And it takes strength to get through it. Well, some one told me that a couple of boys further back were in trouble, and I went along to help them. I found them both. They were dead, just dead of exhaustion.

"And that's why we go out to meet the chaps coming back from the fighting line, and give them a song home.

Cheering Up the Boys

"I've organized no end of sing-songs just to help men forget. And it will take hours, days sometimes, before a man shakes off the memory of the fighting line. Don't make a mistake. It's fine to be there; I'd rather be there than any place on the earth; but—it's hell. And out there, living in that hell, you get to know the meaning of God's love for men. Who could help loving such men? Courage?—there's no courage like it. Why, the mere courage of living such a life — leaving out the shells altogether — is like a miracle. And through it all, through all the mud and the slime, and the rain and the snow, and the cold, and the wretchedness, these men are not only patient, they're cheerful. Yes, cheerful! To live among such fellows is to be exalted. There's nothing man is not fit for. You feel that men like these are, indeed, Sons of God. They're worth dying for. And when you get them all round you, singing our rousing hymns, praying our big prayers, and see the light in their eyes, and hear the ring in their voices, Lor', I tell you, it shakes you up. Love's a strong word, but I just love those fellows—every one of them."

"What makes me so happy? Well, being a servant to the greatest fellows on the earth, being allowed to do something for them.

"There's something here — the gallant fellow placed a great brown hand over his heart—"that makes me feel sure, absolutely sure, that God is working to make His Heaven out of our hell. I think it must be fine to die fighting," he added.

And Captain Mac, I am very certain, will die fighting, if not in France, then the devil in Melbourne

NEWS NOTES and COMMENT

KING GEORGE, in opening Parliament, said: "Threats of further outrages upon public order and the common rights of humanity serve to steel our determination." The British are a hard race to beat. Threats do not frighten them, and frightfulness only makes them more determined to see the thing through.

MR. JOHN HODGE, a Member of the British Government, says that the Allies have determined to end the war ere the leaves fall again. This looks as if they have pretty good grounds for anticipating a sweeping victory this summer.

"THE REAL and terrible crisis of the war is approaching," says Lord Curzon. He thinks that things will be attempted by the Central Powers "surpassing in horror and monstrosity anything hitherto tried." No doubt the next few months will be trying ones for the Allies; but it is good to know that they are prepared to counter anything the enemy may attempt.

IT IS PROPOSED that Scandinavian steamers should call at Halifax for inspection of cargo and passengers, instead of at Kirkwall. This would enable them to avoid the danger zone.

THE French Guvernment is putting a thousand motor plows on French farms this spring, and in Britain traction plowing is to be extensively adopted. Agriculture in Europe will probably receive more attention from the State after the war.

BRITAIN'S Pension Bill will be $250,000,000 a year; Canada's will be about $20,000,000 if the war lasts another year. Our pension system is the most generous among the Allies.

WAR COSTS are still mounting in Britain. The average daily expenditure is expected to rise to thirty million dollars by the middle of the year.

A Salvation Army Military Wedding

In the above group are seen Adjutant and Mrs. Penfold (seated), who were married at Walthamstow (London, England) on Jan. 30th. Colonel Stacey is the Officer standing in the centre. Captain-Chaplain (Adjutant) Robinson acted as best man and Ensign Hodgson (sister of the bride) as bridesmaid.

BRITONS in all parts of the world are now being called on to "bury the Kaiser" under "scraps of paper" by buying war bonds or certificates. Canadians may buy these at any bank or money order office in denominations of $25, $50, or $100, maturing in three years with good interest.

THE NUMBER of women now working in Great Britain is about 3,231,000. Of this number almost a million have taken the places of men gone to the front.

A LARGE quantity of celery from Florida, which had been poisoned by Paris green, was recently seized by health inspectors in Toronto. One of them remarked that the grower who used Paris green to destroy blight ought to be jailed.

A BILL to prohibit horse-racing in Canada during the war is to be brought forward in Parliament. We would like to see it abolished for good, and then the racetrack gambling evil would go, too.

DIABOLICAL inventions for destroying mankind continue to multiply. A wireless torpedo and a thermite bomb, capable of killing by gas fumes at two hundred yards, are the latest things in this line. What ingenuity is wasted in the service of war!

BAND NOTES

ON Wednesday evening, Jan. 31st, Montreal No. 1. Band had tea with the Band League members. This passed off very pleasantly indeed. After all had partaken of the good things provided, Brigadier McMillan, who was the guest of the evening, called for speeches. These proved very interesting. Ensign Wright read a few letters that had been received from the boys at the front. An extract from one, as follows, shows how God is keeping our boys:—

"Now, lads, I ain't much of a letter writer, that is, for my letter to be read in public; but I am just writing as if I was writing to my brother. I can say that I am still saved and doing my little bit for the Master. God opened up the way for me fast night in such a way that I never expected; but thank Him that He gave me the courage to speak for Him. It was an officer of my company that spoke to me, and he said that he wished he was as good as me and had the same heart that isn't afraid to say that he was on the right side. I told him in my own simple way that my God was willing and able to do the same for him as He has and is still doing for me; and we had a long talk. He was crying and asked me to come down to his billet in the morning to be alone with him, and I tell you, comrades, that I couldn't sleep in case I would be too late, so I was down at his billet at seven o'clock; and, thank God, he has started to live the better life. We are going to have a little time with each other as long as we are alive. On Christmas night one of the boys asked me if I would pray with him, as he was a bit worried about the wife and bairns at home. So we got down in an old shack and prayed for the loved ones at home. But say, comrades, I am not telling you this to show off or in a boasting manner, but only to let you see that God is able to keep me in France as He is in dear old Montreal."

The Band Locals reported on their particular responsibility, and in all a very pleasant evening was spent. Saturday evening, Feb. 3rd, the Band and Songsters, accompanied by Adjutant Trickey, visited the Inspector Street Mission. An interesting little programme was given. Everything had a tinge of "America" in it, as the Mission is supported and controlled by the American Presbyterian Church of Montreal.—A. S. Windler.

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The Ottawa I. Band gave a very interesting programme at the Ottawa III. Corps on Tuesday evening, Jan. 30th. A large crowd attended, and every item on the programme was thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed, from the well-played selections by the Boys' Band to the touching extravaganza rendered by the Bandmaster on his concertina, entitled "Musical Thoughts."—V. G.

Many of the Yorkville Bandmen and Soldiers have enlisted and gone overseas; others are on their way. Our prayers are with them all; God bless and protect our boys, and may they all, while doing their duty for King and country, ever lift high the Blood-stained banner of King Jesus. On Jan. 27th a very unique service was held in our Hall: it taking the form of a musical fete given by the Yorkville Band, under the leadership of Brother Bert Jones. The programme consisted of selections, marches, readings and recitations, musical and vocal solos. The programme was well rendered and some went so far as to say that it would have done credit to an older and much larger Band, for it must be remembered that our Band has become very much depleted owing to the war, and only recently has it been re-organized. Mrs. Commissioner Richards was Chair-woman for the evening, and her timely remarks were appreciated by all. The Honour Roll for the Yorkville Corps was also unveiled during this service by Mrs. Richards. This was a touching scene. Immediately after the unveiling special prayer was offered by Mrs. Brigadier Bell for our brave boys at the front, and the Band played "God Save the King." Ensign and Mrs. Woolcott, our Commanding Officers, deserve much credit for their untiring efforts for the general good of the Corps during their long stay here.—J. E. J.

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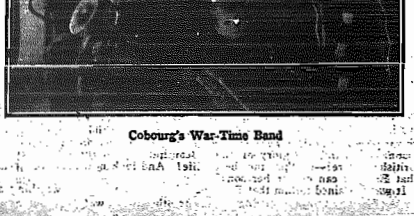
When war was declared by Great Britain in 1914 the Cobourg Band consisted of thirteen men and three boys. Out of the thirteen men ten have enlisted, whilst two of the remaining three are physically unfit, and the third is over military age. In spite of these facts, we are slowly but surely building up another Band, as the picture on this page shows. The names of these comrades are (reading from left to right): Standing: M. Rollings, W. Finnett, E. Cowin, Mrs. Hayward. Sitting: E. Beare, Captain Parsons (C.O.), H. Hayward. Front Row: A. Hempstead and W. Medhurst. Without any approach to egotism we can safely say that we are very creditably handling several marches out of Nos. 2 and 3 Books. By God's help, we intend to "never let the old Flag fall," hoping and waiting for the day when peace shall be restored, and our Bandsmen who are overseas will be re-welcomed into our midst.



Cobourg's War-Time Band

HOME LEAGUE AT WORK

The Home League at Lindsay is progressing nicely. We have a membership of sixteen. We are doing Red Cross sewing and have handed in nine night-dresses, ten pyjama suits, five pairs socks, and six dozen bandages, along with sewing for a safe to help our Corps, to be held later.—A. Worker.

A MALTESE ROMANCE

A STIRRING STORY OF MILITARY LIFE AND A SOULS SALVATION.

CHAPTER XI

DRIVEN TO DESPERATION

BEING confined to barracks does not only mean that the soldier sentenced to that penalty is not allowed to go beyond certain limits, but also that he has to do several hours' punishment drill each day. This takes the form of monotonously marching up and down the barracks square, with a full kit on his back. Under a "cushy" (easy) non-com. this is not so grievous to be borne, but when the supervisor of the defaulters, as such unfortunates are called, happens to have strict notions as to his duty, they have a gruelling time of it.

Now, Corporal Smith was one of the strict sort on all occasions, but when he had the two men in the company that he hated most in his power, he became almost ferocious. It was an opportunity he had longed for for quite a time, and as he inspected the defaulters on the day he was detailed to drill them, his little pig's eyes gleamed with a malicious satisfaction. There were about a dozen men in all who were doing various periods of "jankers," as this punishment is termed by Tommy Atkins, and many were the growls when they knew that Smith was on duty that day. There would have been a great deal more "grousing" had they known all that was in store for them. That came afterwards, however.

For an hour and a half in the hot sun Smith marched his victims up and down, up and down, without a moment's stand at ease, snarling and snapping and swearing at them like an irritated dog all the while. Never had men been so badgered and bullied before, and never had they had such a severe strain put on their powers of endurance. One big Irish gunner from another company flatly refused to march any more after an hour had passed.

Smith called an escort and had him taken away to the guard room, where he passed the rest of the day in glorious ease, laughing through the bars at the other poor defaulters as they came every half-hour to answer their names.

That evening just after "Retreat" had sounded, George sought out Joe and the two friends walked to a quiet corner of the camp together.

"I'm about fed up with this sort of thing, Joe," said George.

"So am I," was the reply. "Old Smith seems to be determined to make life as miserable as possible for us, doesn't he?"

There was silence for a while, each fearing to give utterance to the thoughts that were surging through their brains.

At last George said in a low tone, with an anxious look around to see that no chance listener was about.

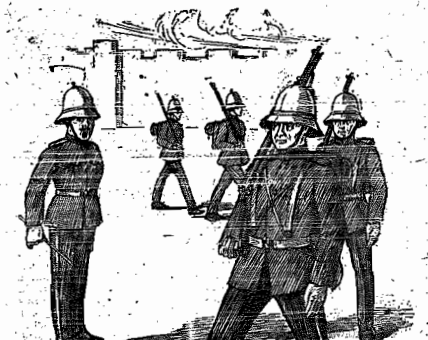
"Suppose we do a bolt!"

"I was just calculating our chances," replied Joe. "This is an island, you must remember, and we can't swim to the nearest mainland. We must get some sort of a boat. How can we manage it without getting nabbed?"

"Perhaps Vincenzo can help us out," suggested George.

"Then I vote we go and interview the noble Vincenzo this very night," said Joe.

Quick action was now necessary—for every half-hour they had to answer their names at the guard-room and once their absence was discovered a hue and cry would be raised after them, and every military policeman would be notified to be on the look-out for them.



"Marched his victims up and down snarling like an irritated dog"

Breaking out of Tigne Camp was the least of difficulties confronting the two friends. Dropping quietly into the dry moat which formed one of its defences on the seaward side, they ran along in the shadow till they reached a point where their ascent of the opposite wall would not be likely to be noticed by anyone in camp. Here they helped each other to climb up, and were soon making their way along the shore towards the town of Sliema.

Avoiding the main streets, they walked swiftly through the dark and narrow lanes of the town until they emerged into the open country. Here they cut across the fields, a rather toilsome task, as high stone walls surround each one, and on a hillside they appear like gigantic steps as they rise in tiers, one above another. On the road, however, the two would have run the risk of meeting the military picquet.

At length they arrived in the vicinity of Biancardi's grog-shop, and stood in the shadow of a doorway opposite, from which point of vantage they could see the interior of the bar-room without being observed themselves. The place had a strangely-deserted atmosphere. No soldiers sat at the tables, no bursts of song and rollicking laughter were heard. Only a few natives sat quietly conversing in a corner.

While the two soldiers were wondering how they could make their presence known to Vincenzo without attracting too much attention, Joe happened to espy little Pietro Biancardi come out of the shop looking about as if in search of some playmate.

He quietly called his name and the boy advanced cautiously. On seeing George and Joe he uttered an exclamation of surprise and held up a warning finger. "Tell Vincenzo we want to see him," he said. The boy shook his head and then it occurred to Joe that Pietro's knowledge of English was limited to one or two words. He tried another plan, therefore, to make the boy understand. Pointing to the house he said, "Vincenzo!" and then made motions as if he was beckoning that individual to come to him.

The boy evidently understood this time, for he ran off, and in a minute or two Vincenzo appeared.

"You wanta' drink?" he asked; "Coma dis way—plenty fool da policemen."

He led them by a dark, back lane to the rear of the house, and admitted them to a little room adjoining the main living room of the family. The sound of female voices could be heard beyond a curtained doorway, and George's heart beat high as he recognized the silvery tones of Camilla.

"You fellas not stay away long," said Vincenzo. "Plenty soon all rest come back, eh? Now I call Camilla—talk to you, bring birra, eh?"

But Camilla needed no calling. Hearing her brother talking to some one she guessed what had happened, and a moment later the curtains parted, and she appeared in the doorway.

"Ah, George and Joe! welcome home!" she called gaily. "You have been playing truant lately, and I have been very anxious about you. Tell me all that has happened now."

George rapidly outlined the events that had taken place since they had been ignominiously dragged to the guard room—Camilla giving him many pitying glances when he spoke of their treatment at the hands of Smith.

"And now," he concluded, "we have made up our minds not to stand it any longer, and have come to ask you to help us get away from this island."

"And then I will not see you any more," said Camilla. "Oh, no, no; don't go away! You must not go away—I no want you go away, George!" There was a whole wealth of tenderness and pleading in the girl's tone and George was visibly affected.

"Do you care for me that much, Camilla?" he asked, taking her hand. Her only reply was a look, but it said more than words.

"Guess I and Vincenzo will go into the other room and talk things over between ourselves," said Joe, who was quick to comprehend the situation. The two men left the room, and George and Camilla were alone. (To be continued)

SIXTY DOLLARS RAISED

We are still climbing on to victory at Moreton's Harbour. We have had a few souls lately, and we are in hopes of soon seeing some new Soldiers made.

Our Corps is progressing fourfold. We had a tea at our two schools, and raised over sixty dollars towards our new Quarters. The Quarters is nicely fixed up and very comfortable. We desire to thank all the comrades for their liberal giving.—Mrs. Ensign Stickland.

IMPORTANT TRADE ANNOUNCEMENTS!

OWING TO CONDITIONS OVER WHICH WE HAVE NO CONTROL, WE ARE COMPELLED TO REVISE OUR PRICES ON SEVERAL LINES OF MERCHANDISE. TO EXPLAIN THE VARIOUS CAUSES WHICH HAVE BROUGHT ABOUT THESE CONDITIONS AND MADE THE ADVANCE NECESSARY WOULD BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE. WE HAD HOPED TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO SELL OUR GOODS AT THE OLD PRICE, BUT FOUND THIS IMPOSSIBLE. WE THEREFORE HAD NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO RAISE THE PRICES TO MEET THE CHANGED CONDITIONS.

BONNETS
(Officers')

First quality, corded silk	$8.50
Second quality, corded silk	6.50

(Soldiers')

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Second quality, corded silk	6.50

WOMEN'S HATS

Split Straw	$1.75
Chip Straw	3.00
Chip Straw, best quality	5.00
Felt Hats, best quality	3.00
Fawn Hats, summer	3.00

STRAW HATS AT BARGAIN PRICES

We have in stock a number of good, plain Straw Hats that we will sell at $1.75, express 30c extra.

These are very good value, and when they are sold, we will not be able to offer any more at this price.

The straw is not quite as fine as the more expensive Hat, but the trimming is the same. They are good, serviceable Hats for spring weather. We are over-stocked with these, and are selling them below cost. Order quickly!

MEN'S CAPS

Soldiers' Caps	$2.25
Bandsmen's Caps	2.50
Bandmaster's Cap	2.50
Lieutenant's Cap	2.75
Captain's Cap	2.75
Ensign's Cap	2.75
Adjutant's Cap	2.75
Officers' Grey Caps	2.75

GUERNSEYS

We have just received a supply of these from England; sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, and 40. Button on shoulder, with crest $3.75

BAND INSTRUMENTS

All Instruments and Accessories have advanced in price and are likely to go higher still. We are, therefore, unable at present to publish a price list. If you are needing any of these things, we will quote the best possible price on application.

We are in a position to do all kinds of Repair Work at reasonable prices, and give satisfaction. The following letter is from a Bandmaster in connection with repairs done recently for the Town Band at a certain town, which shows that our work and prices are satisfactory:—

Dear Major,—Enclosed please find marked cheque ($124.23) in payment of your bill for repairing our instruments. They are very satisfactory and are really almost as good as new. Please acknowledge receipt and oblige.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PRIZE BOOKS

We have received some very good testimonials from Officers who have purchased from us the prizes for their Young People. If you have not ordered yours, you should do so at once. We have a splendid assortment, still at the lowest possible prices.

LADIES' DRESSMAKING DEPT.

Cloth	Speaker and Skirt	Uniform Dress
Staff Serge	$25.50	$19.25
Cravenette	25.25	18.75

(Braidings, etc., extra)

These prices are net; prices for Canada West are ten p.c. higher.

By the above it will be seen that the price of material has advanced, but we are holding the price of Uniform Suits and Dresses the same for the present. SEND IN YOUR ORDER NOW!

A Novel and Graphic Method of Object-Teaching
"THE SAND TABLE"
(By Lillie A. Faris)

How to interest, and, at the same time, instruct the child is the problem that confronts every Primary Teacher each week. The purpose of this work is to show one of the best ways in which this can be done. With the inexpensive equipment described in this manual of instruction, the most inexperienced teacher will be able to maintain the undivided attention and interest of every pupil throughout the entire teaching period. These methods of object-teaching have been thoroughly tested.

This original contribution to Elementary Junior Work will be a welcome aid to Teachers in this Department.

BIBLE PICTURE BOOKS
For Teachers
AT TWENTY CENTS

These are excellent Books for teaching the Primary Class, having a splendid loose-leaf picture, 6x8 in., which can be pasted on a card and passed around to the children; then hung up on the wall with a view of bringing the lesson to the minds of the children every time they see it. We have the following Books in this series:—

"Stories of Jesus."
"When Jesus Was On Earth."
"The Babe in the Bulrushes."
"Stories of Joseph and David."

The prices of these books are small compared with the value from a Teaching Standpoint.

MEN'S TAILORING DEPARTMENT

The prices of all kinds of material are continually advancing. We are still holding the prices the same as previously announced. We would suggest that you place your order at once, as it is possible that there will be a further advance. The following is a testimonial:—

My suit is just fine. Not one fault to find with it at all. I appreciate your interest very much.

REVISED PRICES—TERMS CASH

	Cloth	2-Piece Suits	Tunics	Pants	Vests	*Unlined Tunics
No. 5		$31.75	$22.00	$9.75	$7.00	$16.75
No. 7		30.00	20.75	9.25	6.50	15.00
No. 4		30.00	20.75	9.25	6.50	15.00
No. 9		20.75	13.25	7.50	5.20	8.65
Grey Cloth		23.00	16.50	6.50	4.50	11.50
R 2		Vest or Cassock,	$5.00,	with crest	$6.00	
R 1		Vest or Cassock	4.50,	with crest	5.50	

Write for prices of Bandsmen's Uniforms or other information required.
All Trimmings Extra.

COST OF BRAIDINGS, ETC.

Local Officer's and Cadet's Suit	$1.10
Captain's and Lieutenant's Suit	1.10
Ensign's Suit	2.75
Adjutant's Suit	3.50
Staff Pants	1.10
Bandsmen's Tunics	$4.00 and upwards

LADIES' TAILORING DEPARTMENT
A NEW DEPARTURE

For a long time there has been an increasing demand for Ladies' Tailored Suits, Dresses, and Coats. We are now in a position to handle this class of business at remarkably low prices, as will be seen by the figures below. Service is as important as quality—we give both—individual workmanship; hand-tailored; cloth guaranteed.

NOTE—The prices for Dressmaking and Ladies' Tailoring are net, and apply only to Canada East. Prices for Canada West are ten p.c. extra.

Cloth	Ulster Coat	Coat	Short Coat	Coat Suit	Separate Skirt	Speaker Suit	Speaker Jacket	Dress	Blouse
No. 5	$36.50	$27.00	$24.75	$42.25	$19.75	$36.50	$20.50	—	—
No. 7	29.50	21.50	19.75	31.75	13.25	27.00	16.50	—	—
No. 4	29.50	21.50	19.75	31.75	13.25	27.00	16.50	$20.50	$9.50
Serge	27.00	21.00	19.50	31.50	13.00	26.75	15.75	20.50	9.25
Cravenette	26.50	20.75	19.25	31.00	12.50	26.50	15.50	19.75	9.00

The above prices include the best grade of linings in colors black, blue, or grey. Second-grade linings $1.50 less, in colors black and grey only. Braidings are extra.

Dear Major,—In reply to your letter of Jan. 20th, I wish to say that we are more than delighted with the Uniform received for my wife. The fit is excellent, and I wish to thank you for all you have done in this order.

PRICE LIST OF BRAIDINGS

Local Officer's and Cadet's	$1.00
Captain's and Lieutenant's	1.00
Adjutant's and Ensign's	1.75

These Prices are as low as we can possibly make them, and we are unable even to guarantee that they will remain the same for any length of time.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO—

The Trade Secretary, Salvation Army Headquarters, James and Albert Streets, Toronto, Ont.

ARMY SONGS

HOLINESS

Tunes.—Lord Jesus, I long, 184; Song Book, 399.

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole,
I want Thee for ever to live in my soul;
Break down every idol, cast out every foe,
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, let nothing unholy remain,
Apply Thine Own Blood and remove every stain;
To get this blest washing I all things forego,
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, come down from Thy Throne in the skies,
And help me to make a complete sacrifice;
I give up myself and whatever I know,
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

ALL ON THE ALTAR I LAY

Tunes.—I am coming to the Cross, 81; I'm believing, 83; S.B., 483.

Come, Thou burning Spirit, come!
Lo, we stretch our hands to Thee!
From the Father and the Son
Let us now Thy glory see.

Chorus

Come, Oh, come, Great Spirit, come,
Let the mighty deed be done;
Satisfy our soul's desire—
Now we trust Thee for the fire.

On the altar now we lay
Soul and body, mind and will!
All the evil passions slay,
Come and every corner fill.

Now by faith the gift I claim,
Bought for me by Blood Divine,
Through the all-prevailing Name
All the promises are mine.

WAITING FOR THEE!

Tune.—Oh, the drunkard may come, 186; There's no one like Jesus, 192.

Poor sinner, Thy Saviour is waiting for thee—
Is waiting to see if from sin thou wilt flee;
His love is so boundless, so full, and so free—
Then why not come home while He's waiting for thee?

Chorus

Oh, the drunkard may come, and the swearer may come.

The Lord who has bought thee has waited so long,
Oh, haste thee at once, or thy chance will be gone;
Then ever in darkness shut out thou must be,
For ever from Jesus, who now waits for thee.

PASS ME NOT!

Pass me not, O loving Saviour,
Hear my humble cry;
While on others Thou art calling,
Do not pass me by.

Chorus

Saviour, Saviour, hear my humble cry, etc.

Let me at the Throne of Mercy
Find a sweet relief;
Kneeling there in deep contrition,
Help my unbelief.

Trusting only in Thy merit,
Would I seek Thy face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit,
Save me by Thy grace.

I LOVE JESUS!

Tunes.—Glory to the Lamb, 143; Land beyond the blue, 145.

I'm a Soldier bound for Glory,
I'm a Soldier marching on;
Come and hear me tell my story;
All that love the Saviour, come.

Chorus

I love Jesus, Hallelujah!
I love Jesus, yes, I do.
I love Jesus, He's my Saviour,
Jesus smiles and loves me, too.

I will tell you what induced me
In the glorious fight to start;
'Twas the Saviour's loving kindness
Overcame and won my heart.

PERSONALIA—Territorial

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sion of their appreciation of The Army's services to Mrs. Major Moore, the Secretary of the League of Mercy.

Mrs. Ensign Raymer, who is resting at Windsor (Ont.), is very ill and under the care of two doctors. Prayers are earnestly asked on her behalf.

Ensign and Mrs. Wright are shortly expected in Toronto from the West. Their new appointment will be announced at an early date.

Captain and Mrs. Robinson, of St. George's (Bermuda), have welcomed a baby girl.

The following changes have taken place in the London Division: Captain and Mrs. Walter to Listowel; Captain Stevens to London II.; Captain and Mrs. Huband to Essex; Ensign C. Clarke to Wingham; Captain O. Johnson to Forest. Captain and Mrs. Ashby, who were married at Forest on Feb. 8th, by Brigadier Rawling, are appointed to Sarnia.

A cheque for $111.15 has been received at Headquarters from the Hamilton I. Junior Corps, being the equivalent to the contents of the Birthday Box. The money goes towards the support of a Missionary Officer in India.

The Toronto "Star Weekly" recently published a very fine review of the service that Canadian Salvationists are doing in connection with the war. The work of the Home League was also favourably commented on.

Lieutenant Locke, of Black Island (Nfld.), has forwarded to Headquarters one pair of socks and three pairs of mitts made by an aged woman Soldier of the Corps.

COMMR. MAPP

Will visit the following places and will deliver lectures on "Japan: Our Eastern Ally"; "The Awakening of the Far East"; "The World-Wide Operations of The Salvation Army.

Brantford.—February 24-25.
St. Catharines.—February 26.
Montreal 1.—March 3-4.
Montreal 2.—March 5.
Ottawa 1.—March 6.
Kingston.—March 7.

PRESSING ON

We are still pressing hopefully onward at Long Pond. Last Sunday was the farewell of Sergeant-Major Dawe, who is entering the Training College, and one Sister also took her stand as a Soldier. The Winter Campaign is launched and we are in for victory.—C.

WE ARE

Looking For You

We will search for missing persons in any part of the globe, befriend and, as far as possible, assist anyone in difficulty. Address, COLONEL C. T. JACOBS, James and Albert Streets, Toronto, marked "Enquiry" on envelope.

One Dollar should be sent with every case, where possible, to help defray expenses. In case of reproduction of Photograph, $2 extra.

Officers, Soldiers, and Friends are requested to assist us by looking regularly through the Missing Column, and to notify Colonel Jacobs, if able to give information concerning any case, always stating name and number of same.

FRANK SORGATE, 11159. English, age 26, height 6 ft., weight 175 lbs., fair complexion, blue eyes, brown hair, single; lumberer, and worked on farms. Missing 14 months. Sometimes goes by the name of Dave O'Hara.

THOMAS TACKMAN, 10849. Age 30, medium height, dark curly hair, inclined to be stout, blue eyes. Missing since August, 1914. Aged mother extremely anxious for news.

GEORGE DAVIS, 11143. Supposed to have left Gardiner, Mass., U.S.A., for Western Canada in 1914. Wife died and left property to Mr. George Davis, which must be claimed within 7 years. Brother, Robert Davis, Hammingford, Que., anxious for news. (See photo.)

HARRY LOCK BEBOUT (BEBOUBEBO), 11155. Age 54. Last known to be in Seattle about twelve years ago; possibly a travelling salesman. Estate waiting.

WM. CHAS. SMITH (or HALL), 11158. Left England for Canada in August, 1913. Last heard from in August, 1916. Age 37, medium height, black hair and eyebrows meeting, dark eyes, pallid complexion. Hairdresser by trade. Comic and sentimental singer, known as "Willie Smith."

JOHN SLATER, 11066. Age 26, height 5 ft. 6 in., colored, clerk by occupation. Missing three years.

JOHN ALBERT BILLINGTON, 11088. Age 33, height 5 ft. 4 in., fair hair, blue eyes, fair complexion. Was working in a bakehouse. Is believed to have married. May have enlisted. Mother very anxious for news.

COMING EVENTS

COMMR. RICHARDS

London 1.—February 24-26. (Opening New Citadel).
Earlscourt.—February 28 (Soldiers' Meeting).
Bermuda—
Hamilton—March 10 (Soldiers' Welcome); March 11 (Lecture, afternoon).
Southampton.—March 12 (Lecture).
Somerset.—March 13 (Lecture).
Hamilton.—March 14-16.
St. George's.—March 17 (Soldiers' Welcome); March 18 (Lecture, afternoon).
Hamilton.—March 20 (Farewell).
(Lieut.-Col. Chandler, Brig. Miller, Major Barr, and Capt. Keith will accompany to Bermuda.)

COL. & MRS. McMILLAN

Earlscourt.—February 28 (Soldiers' Meeting).
Guelph.—March 10-11.

MRS. COMMR. RICHARDS and MRS. COL. McMILLAN

Lisgar Street.—March 5. (Distribution of Prizes.)

BRIG. MORRIS—London 1, Feb. 24-25; Earlscourt, Feb. 28; East Toronto, Mar. 4; Owen Sound, Mar. 17-18; Wiarton, Mar. 19; Rhodes Avenue, Mar. 21; Temple, Mar. 25; Cobourg, Mar. 31-April 1; Dovercourt, April 8.

BRIG. and MRS. MOREHEN—Gananoque, Feb. 24-26.

BRIG. ADBY—Oshawa, Feb. 24-26; Earlscourt, Feb. 28; West Toronto, Mar. 3-4.

BRIG. BETTRIDGE—Owen Sound, Feb. 24-26; Wiarton, Feb. 27; Palmerston, Feb. 28; Listowel, Mar. 1; Stratford, Mar. 2; Galt, Mar. 3-4; Kitchener, Mar. 5; Paris, Mar. 6.

BRIG. BELL—Parliament Street (Holiness Meeting), Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; Chester, Mar. 5 and 11.

MAJOR BARR—Yarmouth, Feb. 24-26; Digby, Feb. 27; St. John 2, Mar. 1; St. John 3, Mar. 4-5.

Captain Spooner (Territorial Organizer, Life-Saving Scouts)—Stratford, Feb. 24-26; Listowel, Feb. 27-28; Palmerston, Mar. 1-4; Owen Sound, Mar. 5-7; Guelph, 10-12.

COMMISSIONER SOWTON

Calgary. — February 25 (Young People's Day).
Calgary.—February 26 (Field and Local Officers' Councils).
Coleman.—February 27.
Kamloops.—March 1.
Nanaimo.—March 2.
Victoria.—March 3-6.
New Westminster.—March 8.
Vancouver 5.—March 9.
Vancouver.—March 10-12. (Young People's Congress.)
Vancouver 1.—March 14. (Farewell of China Party.)
Regina—March 18. (Young People's Day.)
Regina.—March 19. (Councils for Officers and Y. P. Locals.)
Regina.—March 19 (Young People's Demonstration).
Edmonton. — March 25. (Young People's Day.)
Edmonton.—March 26. (Councils for Officers and Y. P. Locals.)
Edmonton 1.—March 26. (Young People's Demonstration.)
Moose Jaw.—March 27.
(Mrs. Sowton will accompany)

LIEUT.-COL. TURNER

(Territorial Secretary)

The Pas.—March 3-4.
Winnipeg.—March 6 (China Party).
Brandon.—March 7 (China Party).
Regina.—March 8 (China Party).
Swift Current.—March 9 (China Party).
Calgary.—Mar. 10-12 (China Party).
Regina.—March 18.
Cranbrook.—March 20.
Nelson.—March 21.
Rossland.—March 22.
Vancouver.—March 25-26 (Social Annual).
Calgary—March 28.

TOUR OF CHINA PARTY

Winnipeg 1.—March 6.
Brandon.—March 7.
Regina.—March 8.
Swift Current.—Mach 9.
Calgary.—March 10-12.
Vancouver 1.—March 14.

BRIG. McLEAN—Nanaimo, Mar. 2; Victoria, Mar. 3-6; New Westminster, Mar. 8; Vancouver 5, Mar. 9; Vancouver 1, Mar. 10; Vancouver, Mar. 11 (Y. P. Day); Vancouver 1, Mar. 12 (Y.P.Dem.).

BRIG. TAYLOR—Winnipeg 8, Feb. 25-26.

MAJOR HAY—Calgary 1, Feb. 24-26; Coleman, Feb. 27; Lethbridge, Feb. 28.

MAJOR SIMS—Regina (Men's Social Annual), Mar. 4-5; Edmonton (M.S.A.), Mar. 7; Winnipeg (M.S.A.), Mar. 21; Vancouver (M.S.A.), Mar. 24-26; Calgary M.S.A.), Mar. 28.

Staff-Captain Peacock—Calgary (Y. P. Congress), Feb. 24-26; Calgary (Young People's Meetings), Feb. 27-Mar. 8; Vancouver, Mar. 10-12.

The Salvation Singers—Winnipeg; Winnipeg 2, Feb. 28 and March 4.